



## 40<sup>th</sup> Conference and Exhibition *ICSOBA 2022, Athens, Greece*

Since 1963 ICSOBA (The International Committee for Study of Bauxite, Alumina and Aluminium) has organized 39 international events in different places of the world. The selection of Athens, Greece for the 40<sup>th</sup> International Conference and Exhibition, follows ICSOBA's practice of rotating the venue of its International Meetings to countries that play an important role in the global aluminium industry. The event was held in the period 10-14 October at the Radisson Blu Park hotel. The Conference obtained support from Mytilineos, the host sponsor and attracted over 300 delegates from 34 countries.



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10-14 October 2022  
Athens, Greece & online



To continuously innovate and contribute to a better practical knowledge sharing within the industry, live streaming of the conference from a single platform (Whova) was introduced this year enabling interaction between on-site and online participants.

The conference covered bauxite, alumina, bauxite residue, carbon for aluminium electrolysis, aluminium production, and sustainability in a variety of technical sessions. The program included 11 high-caliber keynote speakers and over 120 technical papers.

ICSOBA, in its vision and commitment to cooperate with other conferences and better serve the aluminium industry, joined forces this year with the 4<sup>th</sup> International Bauxite Residue Valorization and Best Practices Conference (BR2022) and with Final Removal Cross-Fertilisation Conference coordinated by European Aluminium Association (EAA), the latter took place on 10<sup>th</sup> of October 2022. The International Aluminium Institute (IAI) also took advantage of this gathering of technologists from around the world to hold its Bauxite & Alumina Committee meeting and a workshop on decarbonization in refining on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

During the Conference, an Exhibition of latest technologies, equipment and other devices for the bauxite, alumina and aluminium industry took place with 7 participating companies. The last day of the conference saw field trips to Agios Nicolaos alumina refinery and smelter.

The forum proved again that ICSOBA provides a unique platform to exchange information on the latest innovations and deeply contributes to knowledge dissemination in our industry.

As usual, all papers published in the TRAVAUX book volume No. 51, as well as the presentations, will be accessible from the ICSOBA website at <https://icsoba.org/proceedings/>.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have contributed to the conference this year. In addition, we are deeply grateful to the partners and sponsors who have worked with us at all stages of this important industry event. With 42 Corporate Members and 15 Sponsors (Mytilineos, EGA, Rio Tinto, Hydro, Alba, Hatch, Hindalco, Nalco Water, Tokai Cobex, Fives, Metso:Outotec, Rain Carbon, Simonsen, Sohar Aluminium, Trimet) the organizers of ICSOBA 2022 are humbled by this realization.

Become an actor of this benchmark *Conference of the Aluminium Industry for the Aluminium Industry!* Join us for ICSOBA 2023!

*The ICSOBA 2022 Organizing Committee*

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