



Newsletter #5 - January 2019

WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT



ANDRZEJ CHIELARZ

Dear Members of the Association,

I am delighted to greet you in the New Year 2019 and the new year of Prometia activity. Last year we had a chance to expand our activities, increase our membership and work in various directions to serve the mineral resources society on one hand, and raise the profile of our organisation on the other. Successful execution of the [SCRREEN project](#), integration of the pilot plant network, an exciting young researcher tour and Scientific Seminar as well as development of promising plans for the future are just a few examples of the auspicious results which would have never been possible without your involvement and dedication.

Personally, I would like to add that for me it has been an honour and a pleasure to work with you last year as a Vice-President and I am looking forward to exciting cooperation in the future in my new role of President.

On this occasion I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve you and to wish you a rewarding and joyous new year filled with success and meaning. I do hope that the new year will not only bring the fulfilment of our plans but also the birth of new ideas and developments.

Andrzej Chmielarz, IMN Gliwice

WORD FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT



MARION LENOIR

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Dear PROMETIA members,

Thanks to all of you, 2018 was once again a year of success and fruitful collaborations for our PROMETIA network. It was also the beginning of a new era with the desire to offer different services to our members to reinforce our collaboration with industry. 2019 will be the year of the implementation of these new services which we hope will help you develop new partnerships, will expand our network and will contribute to boost innovation in the raw materials sector.

I wish everyone a wonderful and productive 2019 and look forward to meeting you with these new challenges for the association!

Marion Lenoir, ERAMET

WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



STEPHANE BOURG

Dear Colleagues, dear Friends

At the beginning of this year, I would like to wish you all the best for the New Year, to you and your families. That 2019 brings you success and happiness in both your private and professional life.

We are all very busy now in order to answer the ERAMIN and SC5 call with a deadline on January 31st and February 19th respectively! I know that our last seminar in Berlin, mid-December, allowed a lot of you to exchange ideas and draft projects... I hope that these exchanges were as fruitful as the technical exchanges we had during the seminar! Again this year, thanks to your contributions and those from our invited guests, the programme was rich and covered widely the scope of the PROMETIA activities (production of secondary raw materials, recycling of batteries...).

*It was also the occasion to present the **two new services proposed by PROMETIA: the Open Innovation** (with Marta from CTA as task force leader), that will be officially launched early April with a challenge prize proposed by ERAMET (more information soon! Follow us!) and **the pilot network with the integration of METNET within PROMETIA**; Here also you will learn all along the year what METNET can bring you, and what you can bring to METNET! Thank you to Marianne, Marion and Gro for the work done within METNET over the last semester of 2018 to make this integration a success! And congratulations to Gro who has taken over the lead of this task force after Marianne!*

*This seminar, and more particularly our General Assembly, was also the occasion to elect a new President and Vice President! After 4 years, Christophe Poinssot left for new opportunities and **Andrzej Chmielarz (IMN) and Marion Lenoir (ERAMET) were elected respectively at the two positions***

As already said by our new President, whom I will support the best I can, I am sure that 2019 will be a great year, in the continuation of the innovations launched in 2018!

Stéphane Bourg, CEA

HIGHLIGHT

5th PROMETIA Scientific Seminar



Presentations

The annual PROMETIA Scientific Seminar was held on 13-14 December 2018 in Berlin, Germany, and focused on "Circular Economy".

Click [HERE](#) to have access to all the presentations

Watch recap of Scientific Seminar

Watch a short recap of the two-day seminar in video, featuring participant interviews.

==> Click on the video below to watch it.



NEWS OF INTEREST



CALL FOR EXPERTS

The **SCRREEN project** has been mandated by the **European Commission** to conduct a survey in order to identify the most relevant experts who will be invited by the European Commission to contribute to the **criticality assessment** by the end of this year.

==> They are looking for experts having a specific and precise expertise in raw materials value chains.

[MORE INFORMATION](#)



ERAMET - OPEN DAY

The ERAMET Open Day will be held on April 3rd.

==> More information will be coming soon.

Stay tuned!



DEMETER CONCLUDING SYMPOSIUM

5-7 February 2019
Leuven, Belgium

The DEMETER Symposium features a high-quality, “beyond-science-only” programme on rare-earth permanent-magnet motors and the e-mobility revolution. The 3 days Symposium provides the floor to invited international experts from industry, academia and the European Commission, as well as the early-stage researchers from the ETN DEMETER project who will present their final results.

[MORE INFORMATION](#)

2ND CIRRUS COURSE

20-24 May 2019
Oulu, Finland

The course on Circular Residue Usage in the Metallurgical Industry is developed within the EIT RawMaterials and it is aimed for professionals in metallurgical industry, research institutes, PhD students, environmental agencies, as well as decision makers. The course includes a Webinar introducing the course and the participants and also giving a brief overview on secondary materials, their origin and characteristics as well as possible use.

[MORE INFORMATION](#)

A workshop focusing on the upscaling in pilot facilities will be co-organised this year by PROMETIA-METNET and the EIT-RawMaterials. More information in the coming months.

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