



The PE 100+ Association Newsletter, Advisory Board Meeting 2009

Annual PE100+ Advisory Committee Meeting 2009 in Paris, 8-9 June

The Annual PE100+ Association Advisory Committee Meeting was held in Paris on 8th – 9th June 2009.

The meeting was attended by a large industry panel of 43 participants among which several local guests. The meeting theme was: “Best practices for durable and high quality utility networks”.

The meeting was chaired by Henri Van Speybroeck, and it was the opportunity to present the new PE100+ Board and its new President.

The New President of PE100+ Association, Ulrich Schulte, presented the recent activities of the association and the plan for next future, with emphasis on the strong communication activity ongoing on a worldwide scale and the development in the butt-welding harmonization project.

Dominique Gueugnaut from GdF-Suez presented a detailed work on the gas permeation of polyethylene pipes. The work, which required the realisation of specific testing and measurement equipments, is the first one done on real pipes, and confirmed the fitness for purpose of PE pipes to the distribution of natural gas.

David Lowe from Bodycote gave a preliminary but positive overview of the progress achieved for the realisation of non destructive testing methods for butt-welded joints.

One papers from Sade’s Mohsen Hassine presented a complete carbon footprint analyses of a model trench installation and the global advantage of a PE pipes solution versus other materials; an one from Philippe Jacq of Suez Environment gave a detailed overview of the sustainable PE life-cycle including requirements on technical performances and management control over the whole life-cycle from network design to operations and maintenance.

Three presentations from European (U. AMacher) , Asian (K.M. Ho) and US (G.Palermo) speakers created the opportunity for a rich discussion about quality approach and implementation of standards in different geographic areas.

The meeting was concluded by an intense and fruitful general discussion where participants expressed their appreciation for the meeting and the work done by the Association and formulated proposals for future work.



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