

Second Announcement, call for papers



MILESTONES IN METROLOGY III

ROTTERDAM THE NETHERLANDS

10-13 MAY 2009



DON'T MISS IT!

The third Milestones in Metrology Congress is about a year away. Regulators, manufacturers, end users and notified bodies will gather together in May 2009 to chart out maps for the future of Legal Metrology. The congress is organised around three streams: **oil & gas, traffic and weighing instruments**. Each day will have a specific theme. We kindly ask that you contribute to this program by sending a short paper with your suggestion for a lecture.

+ Plenary themes

On the first day we will focus on **global market access** and for Europe this goes hand in hand with the Measuring Instruments Directive (MID). This theme is a major topic since 2003 with the first Milestones in Metrology event. The world changed considerably in six years: MID has now been implemented and the OIML Mutual Acceptance Arrangement is operational. What is our opinion on these developments? Are we successful or not? Which problems have occurred? Has harmonisation been completed?

The general theme on the second day is **software**. After all, most instruments come with software. How can we certify and secure software in a type approval process? How can we guarantee conformity to type if instruments can be uploaded with new software versions? The market is searching for new ideas on validation and sealing. What is the approach of regulators?

The last day will focus on **future developments**. Out of the box thinking; madness in metrology; what will the future bring? This congress will be interactive and again we will wrap up with a 'Voting for the Future' session. You all are invited to present your vision on the future relevant to these themes or streams.

+ Parallel streams

The program will consist of plenary parts and parallel streams. The plenary parts are on a general need-to-know basis. During the parallel streams, specialised topics can be discussed.

New topics like LNG, CNG and Bio-fuels are coming forward in the **oil & gas industry**. The demand for accurate measurements increases due to sky-high energy prices. What are the latest developments? Do we need an LNG test facility? What are the latest developments in regulations and standards?

Metrology is booming in the **traffic sector**. Almost everything is measured: speed, weight (dynamic axel weighing), distance (toll) and time (taxi, section speed control), drivers (drugs, alcohol), environment and safety (brake testers, exhaust gas analysers, etc.). Most of these regulations are currently not harmonised. What is our task? What is the demand from industry?

The market for manufacturers of **weighing instruments** is, for the greater part, already harmonised. OIML-MAA is now operational. We have used CE marking since the early 90s. What are the experiences so far, for instance, the use of OIML OIML-MAA, problems with market surveillance, the approval of multidimensional instruments, etc?

There will be plenty opportunity to meet each other during the festive evenings. It is the 20th anniversary of NMI so this will be a special Milestones in Metrology event.

Registration is open on www.milestonesinmetrology.nl. My message for now is: send your abstract and take care you don't miss it!

Pieter van Breugel
Managing Director



ROLE OF NMI

After the success of the two Milestones in Metrology congresses in 2003 and 2006, NMI is organising the third congress for 2009. NMI is planning to present a complete package to participants. There will be a balance between events during the congress and time for networking and relaxation during the evenings. The congress fee includes all lunches and evening programs.

+ NMI Scientific Committee

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Congress Venue:

HULSTKAMP GEBOUW

The Hulstkamp building is situated on an island in the river Maas in the centre of Rotterdam. The Hulstkamp building is one of the 458 state monuments of Rotterdam and one of a few buildings that survived Rotterdam's history.

The Hulstkamp building – a richly decorated neo-renaissance building – is one of the important buildings projecting the image of the Noordereiland (Northern Island) in the Maas River in Rotterdam. It was built between 1888 and 1892 and designed by the Rotterdam architect J. P. Stok. The two distinctive styles depicted throughout the building reveal the character of that specific era in architecture: on the one hand the pride and refining of the nineteenth century and on the other hand the robust and industrial character of the beginning of the twentieth century.

The building was originally used as a margarine and cheese factory with offices for the J. Laming & Sons company. After Laming went bankrupt, the company Hulstkamp & son & Molijn bought the building and founded a gin distillery. On 10 May 1940 the Hulstkamp building was one of the first buildings in Rotterdam to be occupied by the German army. In 1979 the building was vacant. After thorough renovation of the office building and the demolition of the distillery, the Hulstkamp building was used as shared premises for several companies. In 1983 Maison van den Boer opened an exclusive congress venue in it.

<http://hulstkampgebouw.venues.nl>



PROGRAM

MAY

Sunday **10** Monday **11** Tuesday **12** Wednesday **13**

	THEME OF THE DAY	THEME OF THE DAY	THEME OF THE DAY
Registration	Global Market Access	Software	New challenges in metrology

	8.30 - 9.30 Registration and Coffee		
	9.30 - 10.00 Welcome and Opening	9.00 - 9.30 Coffee	9.00 - 9.30 Coffee
	10.00 - 12.00 Plenary sessions	9.30 - 12.00 Plenary sessions	9.30 - 11.00 Plenary sessions and/or streams • Madness in Metrology • Oil & Gas • Traffic • Weighing Instruments
	12.00 - 13.30 Lunch	12.00 - 13.30 Lunch	11.30 - 12.30 Voting for the future
	13.30 - 16.00 Streams: • Oil&Gas • Traffic • Weighing Instruments	13.30 - 16.00 Streams: • Oil&Gas • Traffic • Weighing Instruments	12.30 - 14.00 Farewell Lunch
16.00 - 19.00 Registration and Welcome	Evening Boat tour of Rotterdam	Evening Festive evening in Rotterdam	

	Suggestions for seminars:	Suggestions for seminars:	Suggestions for seminars:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU harmonization desire and possibility • Market surveillance: experience of manufacturer, regulator, end-user and notified body • How flexible is MID in a changing Europe? • LNG measurement • New OIML recommendations • Verification and calibration (Experiences) OIML-MAA • Traffic Instrument Directive? • Environment • Safety • NAWI versus MID • Verification of multidimensional instruments • ... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Software testing in measuring instruments • OIML • Software validation in metrology • Software sealing • Software: the most important module • Telecalibration • Experiences • Vera 2 • Differences between NAWI and MID requirements • Processing of measurement results (peripheral equipment) • ... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weighing without gravity • Road pricing • Tracking, monitoring and control • The need for certification of gas chromatographs • ...

WWW.MILESTONESINMETROLOGY.NL



ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The Milestones in Metrology congress aims to be a meeting between manufacturers, regulators, end-users, certification institutes and notified bodies. We invite everyone to participate in the congress. The first draft of the program is on the previous page and includes suggestions for seminars/workshops. We invite you to send in your abstract and start the discussion!

Submitting of abstracts

Please send abstracts for presentations at the congress to:
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With reference Milestones in Metrology III

Form of abstract

- 1 Abstracts should be written in English
- 2 Abstracts should not exceed 300 words, excluding the title of the paper and name(s) of the author(s)
- 3 The title should be brief, clearly indicating the nature of the topic
- 4 State the name(s) of the author(s), institutional affiliations, city and country. Omit degrees and titles.

Content of abstract

Please indicate (as far as possible)

- 1 Statement of the purpose of the paper to be presented
- 2 Summary of the main arguments of the paper
- 3 Conclusions

Typing of abstracts

- 1 Please send your abstracts in a font size equal to 12 characters per inch, preferably using Times New Roman font.
- 2 Type title in CAPITAL LETTERS, followed by a blank line
- 3 The entire abstract should be single spaced
- 4 References, if any should be included in the body of the abstract. Illustrations and tables can be inserted.

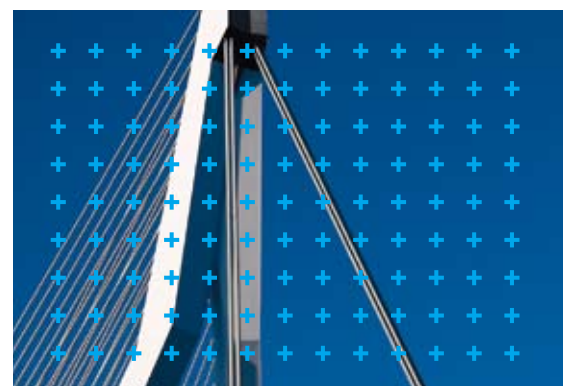
Presenter's information

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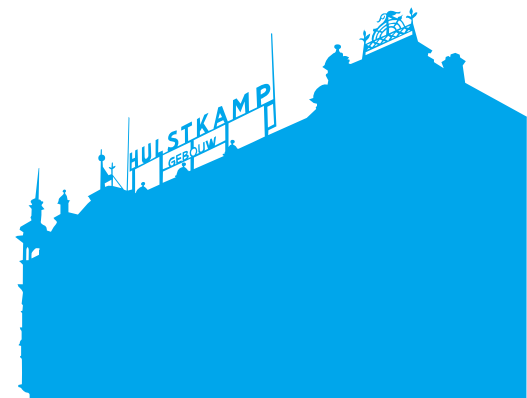
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- + E-mail address
- + Title of presentation
- + Full name, title and position of all authors of the paper

General

- 1 Abstracts will be reviewed with respect to merit, relevance and clarity
- 2 Abstracts may be submitted by fax, e-mail or mail prior to the deadline (1 August 2008)
- 3 Submit the abstract together with the presenter's information
- 4 The notifications of acceptance will be mailed before 1 October 2008
- 5 For accepted abstracts: the deadline for the full paper for the Book of Proceedings is 31 March 2009. The full paper is expected to be approximately 5–8 pages. Further instructions will be given with the notification of acceptance.



PARTICIPATION, REGISTRATION AND FEES



Registration and Fees

The registration fees are:

Early registration fee, if registering before 1 January 2009: € 900,-
Late registration fee, if registering after 1 January 2009: € 1.100,-
All fees excluding 19% VAT

The registration fee includes:

Admission to the entire program, badge, congress bag, book of proceedings, lunches, coffee or tea during breaks, social program on all evenings:

- Welcome reception (Sunday)
- Boat tour in Rotterdam (Monday)
- Festive evening in Rotterdam (Tuesday)

Payment procedure

All payments should be made in Euro (€) by: International bank transfer or bank draft. Please make your bank transfer payable to:

“D’Launch Communications”, with reference: Milestones in Metrology III, Bank account number: 14 26 65 053 Rabobank, Bezuidenhoutseweg 5, 2594 AB, The Hague, The Netherlands. IBAN: NL26 RABO 0142 6650 53 BIC: RABONL2U

If you transfer an amount for a group, please specify the payment per person in writing. Unfortunately, we do not accept credit cards.

Cancellation and refunds

Refunds of registration fees can be applied for and will be honoured, less 10 % administrative charges if the cancellation is before 1 January 2009. If the cancellation is after 1 January 2009 but before 28 February 2009 we will charge 50% administrative charges. After 1 March 2009 no demands for refunds will be met.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Congress Dates

10–13 May 2009

Important Dates

1 August 2008: Deadline for Abstracts
1 January 2009: Third Announcement, end of early registration
29 March 2009: Last day for hotel room guarantees

Congress Venue

Milestones in Metrology III will take place at the Hulstkampgebouw in Rotterdam.

Address:
Hulstkampgebouw
Maaskade 120
3071 NK
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Congress Language

The official congress language is English. Groups of participants who need translation can contact the congress management.

Letter of Invitation

The Congress Management will send you a letter of invitation upon request. It should be understood that this letter is only to help delegates to raise travel funds or to obtain a visa and is not a commitment on the part of the organisers to provide any financial support. Applications for a letter of invitation have to be received by the Congress Management before 1 March 2009.

As the Dutch Embassies in foreign countries only accept original letters, the Congress Management will NOT be able to send a letter of invitation by fax or e-mail. Please take this into consideration when applying for an invitation. Applications received after 1 March 2009 cannot be dealt with. Refunds cannot be made because of visa applications that were not granted.

Insurance

Neither the Organising Committee of Milestones in Metrology III, nor the Congress Management can accept any liability for personal accidents, loss or damage to private property of participants during or directly following on the Milestones in Metrology III congress. Participants must make their own arrangements in respect to health and travel insurance.

Accompanying Persons

There will be no specific partner program. Any accompanying persons can obtain tourist information through D’Launch Communications.

Further Details

For further details on the congress in Rotterdam, The Netherlands, please visit www.milestonesinmetrology.nl or contact the Congress Management.

