

PROGRAMME

International Conference on Chrysotile

Scientific update on safe use of chrysotile asbestos
and related products

December 3rd and 4th, 2013

The Oberoi Hotel, New Delhi, India



INTRODUCTION

Jointly organized by the International Chrysotile Association (ICA) in collaboration (partnership) with the Asbestos Cement Product Manufacturers' Association (ACPMA), India.

The Scientific Conference will provide information and guidance to competent authorities to producers and using countries, to industries, workers, Medias, scientists and public in general. It will permit to get updated on the recent scientific studies internationally recognized, obtain a peer reviewed on scientific evidence and best practices.

Welcome to this Conference: The chrysotile world supports since several years the controlled use of chrysotile fibres in the same way it supports the controlled use of all other industrial important hazardous minerals, metal and products.

Objectives are related to manage risk of products and practices where and when required. Where exposures and subsequent risk cannot, based on scientific research, be properly managed, uses are discontinued or prohibited.

The future of generation in poor countries and emerging ones is related to a safe and responsible use program and people have the full right to encounter the years to come with hope and confidence.

Preliminary Agenda

Day 1

First Session

- 08h00 – 09h00 Registrations
- 09h00 – 09h30 Welcome by Chairperson
Government Dignitaries
- 09h30 – 10h00 Dr. Jacques Dunnigan, Canada
Assessment and risk management of chrysotile
1) *Correct interpretation of IARC classification*
2) *From past experience to modern day requirements*
- 10h30 – 11h00 Dr. Thomas Hesterberg, U.S.A.
Health risk of low levels of exposure to chrysotile
Modern toxicological and epidemiological evidence
- 11h00 – 11h30 Dr. Sergey V Kashansky, Russia
Russian state policy for the elimination of asbestos-related diseases
- 11h30 – 12h00 Panel Dunnigan, Hesterberg, Kashansky
Questions and Answers
- 12h00 – 13h30 Lunch

Second Session (Day 1)

- 13h30 – 14h00 Dr. Satoshi Kitamura, Brazil
Risk Assessment for Asbestos-Related Diseases among a Population Living Under Asbestos-Cement Roofs: A Trial in a Developing Country
- 14h00 – 14h30 Dr. Somchai Bovornkitti, Thailand
Conclusion on the Asbestos use in Thai Industries
- 14h30 – 15h00 Tea / Coffee
- 15h00 – 15h30 Dr. Le Thi Hang, Vietnam
The result of Occupational Health and Environment testing for workers in chrysotile cement roof sheet factories within the past six years (2008 – 2013)
- 15h30 – 16h00 Panel Kitamura, Bovornkitti, Le Thi Hang
Questions and Answers
- 16h00 – 16h30 Dr. John Hoskins, U.K.
Safety in the production of Chrysotile products

16h30 – 17h00	Dr. Robert Nolan, USA <i>Pleura mesothelioma death from asbestos comparison of exposure by type to the general population</i>
17h00 – 17h30	Dr. David Bernstein, SWITZERLAND <i>Health risk of chrysotile revisited</i>
17h30 – 18h00	Panel Hoskins, Nolan, Bernstein Questions and Answers
18h30	Reception

Day 2

First session

09h00 – 09h30	Dr. Ericson Bagatin, BRAZIL <i>Evaluation of non-malignant abnormalities related to asbestos exposure in mining activity in Brazil: 1940 to 2010</i>
09h30 – 10h00	Tea / Coffee
10h00 – 10h30	Dr. A.V. Basanets, UKRAINE <i>Genetic predisposition to asbestos-related diseases in workers exposed to chrysotile</i>
10h30 – 11h00	Panel Bagatin, Basanets Questions & Answers

Second session (Day 2)

11h00 – 11h30	Safe and Responsible use Policy Chairman of the Conference
11h30 – 12h00	Closing remarks and rap-up by Dr. Jacques Dunnigan, Co-chairman
12h00	Adjournment