



Message from the President

How time flies! Another year is almost history and a large pine tree is again lit in Trafalgar Square, London. On a plaque next to the tree you can read: "This tree is given by the city of Oslo as a token of Norwegian gratitude to the people of London for their assistance during the years 1940-45. A tree has been given annually since 1947." It is interesting to note that these kinds of trees were used as feed stock for wood alcohol, the predecessor of synthetic methanol. And of course, the wood working industry today represents an important outlet for methanol.

Be that as it may, 2019 has been a good year of progress for IMPCA; we have again attracted new members, and our conferences went well.

I would again like to give my compliments to the many persons and companies who have contributed to our achievements during the year, among them the speakers, sponsors and participants at the conferences in Miami in February, in Wiesbaden in June and in Singapore in November.

Like in previous years, my thanks go to the members of the Technical Committee and of the Board for their efforts. As an association with a very lean organisation, we are dependent on the services of these volunteers from the membership, and we are therefore grateful for the willingness shown.



I wish all our relations around the world the very best for the Holiday Season and the coming New Year, when I hope to see you at one or more of our many events, the first one being the 8th IMPCA Mini Conference America at the Marriott Stanton South Beach in Miami, Florida on 6th and 7th February 2020.

René Butzelaar, President

22nd IMPCA Asian Methanol Conference 2019

Methanol Marketing Services Asia organised the 22nd IMPCA Asian Methanol conference at the Regent hotel in Singapore from November 5th to November 7th 2019.



IMPCA President René Butzelaar opened the conference and he was also one of the moderators. Again Mark Berggren and his colleagues at MMSA had put together an interesting agenda of relevant topics presented by MMSA personnel and people from the industry.

The 23rd IMPCA Asian Methanol Conference is scheduled for November 3rd to 5th 2020 in Singapore.

The 8th IMPCA Mini Conference America

At <http://www.impca.eu> you will find the invitation to this event which will take place at **Marriott Stanton South Beach Hotel**, Miami, Florida on 6-7 February 2020.



Prior to the conference a Golf Outing will take place.

32nd IMPCA European Mini-Conference 2020 P O R T O, Portugal

The Mini-Conference in 2020 will be held at the **Crowne Plaza Hotel** in Porto, Portugal on 11-12 June. Crucial for the choice of venue is of course that a ship suitable for our Thursday evening Welcome Buffet Dinner is available, and in 2020 we shall sail onboard the “**Esplendor do Douro**” embarking in the harbour of Porto.



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32nd IMPCA
Mini-Conference
11-12 June 2020

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