

Subject: Announcement - The 12th European Slag Conference:

Slag for the Future, the Future of Slags

Dear Madam/Sir,

Almost one year ago in Cologne, SIDEREX (Basque Country Steelmaking Cluster) and UNESID (Spanish Steelmaking and Transforming Association) expressed our gratitude to EUROSLAG, the European Slag Association, for selecting Bilbao as the host city for the 12th EUROSLAG Conference, scheduled from October 23rd to 25th, 2024. We are delighted to co-organize this event with the valued support of PLATEA (Spanish Steel Technology Platform).

The steelmaking industry is currently undergoing a deep transformation, driven by its commitment to decarbonization, sustainability, and the circular economy. This transformation, while aligning with societal demands, also aims to maintain the sector's high competitiveness. Notably, the sustainable management and utilization of slag have become imperative, transcending mere optionality.

With this guiding principle in mind, the conference's primary objective is to foster knowledge exchange and promote technically, environmentally, and economically viable applications across all slag families. A dedicated focus will be placed on those slag types with significant room for improvement, as the diversity of steel families is critical for achieving decarbonization goals. Slag properties will evolve in tandem with steelmaking processes, which increasingly involve the use of new reductants for pre-reduced iron and will deal the presence of minority elements in an increasing diversity of raw materials.

The conference is designed to accommodate not only to professionals/companies already entrenched in the slag industry, but also with all those who may contribute to future slag applications and those involved in decision-making processes that influence slag utilization. Our target audience includes steel producers, slag processors, equipment and additives providers, government and regulatory bodies, research institutions, and end-users such as construction companies, cement manufacturers, civil engineers, and innovators.

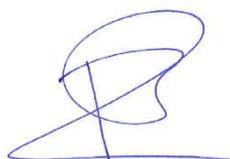
For detailed information regarding conference organization and submission guidelines for technical papers and inscriptions, please visit our website at www.euroslag2024.eu. A preliminary conference program will be released early in 2024.

We eagerly anticipate your participation at the 12th European Slag Conference in Bilbao, where we will collectively explore the future of slag and its vital role in shaping the steel industry's sustainable future.



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