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Lisbon

The Plenary Meeting in Lisbon was very successful with some 30 members of our association present and approximately 15 guests from the Portuguese chemical association, a number of representatives of the local companies and colleagues of Francisco Mendes Palma and Isabel Cardoso. As usual we started with a networking dinner in Restaurant Portugalia, next to the monument of the seagoing discoverers, gratefully offered by aicep Global Parques. A report of this meeting and the mini-symposium will soon be available on the website and will be sent to all members.

*Quarterly update from
the ECSPPP President,
Sietse Wiersma*

October 2017

Mini-symposium

During the mini-symposium we first got an overview of all the regulations in place and the way the countries have to adapt to these regulations. Then Nuno Lacasta, President of APA - Agência Portuguesa do Ambiente, told us that he did not like the theme because the question is wrong and he explained in vivid detail how chemical companies and regulators could and should work together to keep the environment safe and provide the companies with a sustainable license to operate. In discussion with the audience Joris de Beer of Chemelot in The Netherlands explained their umbrella permit, which allows them to operate between limits but at the same time to act fast for new companies on site. This seems an example that also could work elsewhere.



**See you at our
next meeting
in Huelva (ES)**

**24 & 25 May
2018**

*The trip to the site was
guided by Miguel Borralho
and he literally knew
everything about the site
and what was going on.
The trip made quite clear
that aicep Global Parques
has a bright future ahead.*

ICIS Chemical Business

On behalf of our association an article was published in ICIS Chemical Business, explaining that probably the oil price will stay somewhere between \$40 and \$60 and that a relatively low price is profitable for the chemical processing industry. Moreover even if the transportation fuels – responsible for about 90% of the oil use – will be replaced by other sources, then the downward pressure on the oil price will continue, with a positive effect on the chemical industry.

The political pressure on avoiding long-range transportation implies that regions will still import oil and oil derivatives but will try to produce chemical based products mostly regional and as close as possible to the market. It is expected that this trend will further improve the inward investment in chemical production in Europe.

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