

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE RUSSIAN CONFERENCE “CURRENT TRENDS IN PETROCEMISTRY”****Dr. Sc., Professor O.P. Parenago****Deputy Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the Conference****A.V. Topchiyev Institute of Oil-Chemical Synthesis, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia**

On April 17-20 the Russian Conference with an international participation “Current trends in Petrochemistry” has been held in the environs of Moscow (“Klyazma” guesthouse). It should be observed that scientific conferences of such a large scale with a wide participation of the scientists and specialists in the most different areas of oil-chemistry and oil processing haven't been conducted in our country for more than ten years. The last oil-chemistry symposium has been held in October 1990 in Kiev as VII symposium on oil-chemistry of socialist countries.

The Conference was organized with the help of United Scientific Council on Chemistry, Oil, Gas and Solid Fuel at the Russian Academy of Sciences, A.V. Topchiyev Institute of Oil-Chemical Synthesis at the Russian Academy of Sciences, Ministry of Industry, Science and Technologies of the Russian Federation and I.M. Gubkin Russian State University of Oil and Gas. A considerable support to organizing and holding of the conference was given by the sponsors, among them there were foreign and Russian companies such as “Haldor Topsoe A/E” (Denmark), NC «Lukoil», JSC “Sibur”, JSC “Tyumen Oil Company”, JSB “RosBusinessBank”, as well as the Russian Foundation of Fundamental Researches.

The conference program contained the following main directions: new processes and products of oil-chemistry; catalysts of oil-chemistry and oil-refining processes; chemistry and technology of obtaining motor fuels, lubricants and additions, oil-chemical products from natural gas and coal; technology of oil, coal and gas processing; ecological problems of oil-chemistry and oil-processing. The interest in holding of the conference on very actual fields of oil-chemistry has been strikingly shown with an active participation of a wide circle of the scientists and specialists in fundamental and applied science, representatives of oil-chemical companies, oil processing plants and other organizations. More than 300 participants in all have been registered at the conference, not counting the employers from different organizations of Moscow and localities near Moscow coming daily and participating at the conference work. Among foreign participants there were the specialists from well-known oil-chemical firms, universities and institutes, namely: from Denmark (3), USA (2), Japan (2), Slovakia (2), Iran (2), Germany (1), France (1), Poland (1), Azerbaijan (3), Kazakhstan (2) and Ukraine (1).

More than 370 papers have been presented at the conference, 45 of them were oral and plenary, others – stand reports. The extent of presented papers was very large. The reviews on modern conditions of oil-processing industry of Russia as a whole, as well as the concrete examples of condition of separate fields (catalysis, deep oil and fuel processing, etc.) have been presented at the conference. A number of papers have been devoted to fundamental and perspective problems of modern oil-chemistry, others have contained the elements of technology and organization of oil-chemical products production. A considerable number of very interesting reports has been presented at imposing stand session.

During the conference two meetings at a round table have been organized: “Catalysts and Oil-Chemistry” and “Oil-Chemical Processes and Products”. The meetings have aroused a great interest of the participants discussed the problems of catalyst production, semi-products receiving for oil-chemical synthesis and the fastest using of scientific results on the practice.

Generally, the conference has been held with a large success, there has been received many valuable and useful information in various fields of oil-chemistry, catalysis and oil processing, the conference has promoted the establishment of contacts and business relations between its participants. A success of the conference, undoubtedly, was defined with a large interest to its program and papers on the part of numerous representatives of industrial enterprises and oil companies. At the closing of the conference it was expressed an opinion that holding of such scientific forums in the future with a wide participation of the scientists, representatives of a branch institutes, industry and business should become regular.

---

In this issue of “Eurasian Chemico-Technological Journal” on co-ordinated solution of the Organizing Committee of the Conference and Editorial Board some reports of the Conference participants are published.