The Croatian Metallurgical Society has the responsibility for the development and future of Croatia. Its purpose is contributing to Croatia’s advancement, based on the promotion of metallurgy. This is chief goal and we shall realize it by linking all the various sciences and points of view, aware that the advancement and development of Croatia can only by achieved through the united efforts of all.

Unlike other transitional states, Croatia still undergoes a stage of restructuring both ferrous and non-ferrous metallurgy. For metallurgy, this means a difficult economic situation, and in comparison to the level until the war in 1991 the production is at the level below 30%.

Naturally, this situation has an impact to the activity of the Croatian Metallurgical Society as well. Practically without any starting point and foundation in industry, CMS was financed by a modest money support from the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports of the Republic of Croatia.

However, thanks to voluntary work of CMS heads and members (not one fee has ever been paid in the last 17 years), the Society’s activities are various, successful and recognizable in the world.

In addition to the mutual useful cooperation with many related societies, professional and scientific institutions in Croatia and abroad, the following needs to be stressed in particular:

1. CMS is a publisher of the Journal Metallurgy the articles of which are being referred to in an array of international periodicals and databases), among other in ISI-SCI as well. Articles are being published by authors from over 30 states, and over 100 articles are being received per year.

2. Every two years CMS organizes and holds symposiums called “Materials and Metallurgy”. All of these symposiums are agreed on a global level – in the meetings of representatives of metallurgical associations. They are organized in early November in Düsseldorf, by Verein Deutscher Eisenhütten-leute (VDEh), the current name of VDEh’s Stahlinstitut.

Seven international symposiums have been held so far:

1st: Zagreb - 1994 - February, 16-18 (88 lectures)
2nd: Split - 1996 - June, 20-22 (150 lectures)
3rd: Šibenik - 1998 - June, 25-27 (192 lectures)
4th: Opatija - 2000 - June, 25-29 (333 lectures)
5th: Šibenik - 2002 - June, 23-27 (375 lectures)
6th: Šibenik - 2004 - June, 20-24 (368 lectures)
7th: Šibenik - 2006 - June, 18-22 (475 lectures)

The workshops of symposiums were held in plenary sessions (lecturers were invited and firms presented) and poster sections.

For the plenary lectures research topics were selected relating partly to the new materials and partly to the increase of efficiency of metallurgical procedures, decrease of required energy as well as improving of products.

Generally the reports were prepared for these symposiums by the authors and coauthors from various world universities, institutes, academies and companies (in 7th Symposium 799 authors and coauthors from 34 countries). It is to be emphasized that the scientists from
four Croatian universities (Zagreb, Rijeka, Osijek and Split) participated in these symposiums. 

In the discussions it was confirmed that the symposiums organized by Croatian Metallurgical Society have become traditional assembly of experts and scientists of various profiles: metallurgists, geologists, physicists, chemists, mechanical engineers etc.

With a demonstration of their best achievements they all assist the metallurgy in Croatia to call the same attention as it does otherwise in the world.

Detailed reviews of all the symposiums held so far were published and made public [1-35].

Based on the agreement of Meeting of World Metallurgical Societies, Düsseldorf, November 2005 y. and the November 2006 y., the next 8th International Symposium of Croatian Metallurgical Society “Materials and Metallurgy” will be held 2008 - June 22 - 26, Solaris Holiday Resort, Šibenik, Croatia.

THE AIM OF SYMPOSIUM ’2008

The aim of this Symposium is to point out all the possibilities of the materials and achievements in metallurgy.

TOPICS OF THE SYMPOSIUM ARE:

Materials
- New Materials
- Refractories Materials
- The Development
- Applications
- Physical Metallurgy

Metallurgy
- Process Metallurgy and Foundry
- Plastic Processing of Metals and Alloys
- Technologies
- Energetics
- Ecology in Metallurgy
- Quality Assurance and Quality Management

Here are the most important details on the 8th Symposium of Croatian Metallurgical Society:

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Languages
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Initial of Name, Surname, Institution, Title of Abstract, Content – max 120 words, key words (please see on Web site: Metalurgija, Summaries of Lectures, 45(2006), 3, 189-269).

The workshop of symposium will be held in plenary session (invited lectures, presentation of firms) and posters sections.
Summaries of all accepted lectures will be published in Summaries of Lectures in the Journal Metalurgija 47 (2008), 3. Invited (plenary) papers will be also published in the Journal Metalurgija 47 (2008) 3, in order of acceptance after regular procedure. The selected papers will be also published in the Journal Metalurgija after Symposium with paid the Participation Fee, and accepted from the Reviewers.

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PARTICIPATION FEE (for each the paper)
a) and publication of a whole paper in Journal Metalurgija (The papers not consistently prepared according to the “Instructions to Authors”, for Journal of Metalurgija will not be considered - see WEB site): 450 € (150 € + 300 €)
b) Participation, publication of Summaries in Metalurgija issue 47 (2008) 3, presentation in the poster section, Summaries of Lectures ... 150 €
c) Other participants and co-authors, including the Summaries of Lectures: 100 €

All this prices generally included symposium attendance, welcome cocktail and symposium materials.

Please pay participation fee by May 15th, 2008 to: Croatian Metallurgical Society, Zagreb,
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The fee can also be paid at the symposium: price +10%.

Paper presentation
– Plenary lectures of invited scientists will be held.
– All other papers will be grouped by topics and will be given on posters.
– Review of each group of papers will be orally presented by invited scientists.
– Authors are required to prepare posters (title, abstract, results, conclusion) on a 100×100 cm paper, to be paste on a board.

Eventually let us point out:
The reception of the 8th Symposium of Croatian Metallurgists by international associations has shown that the Symposium has become a traditional place for the gathering of the world’s experts and scientists of various profiles: metallurgists, physicists, chemists, mechanical engineers, and technicians who can and want to contribute so that metallurgy in Croatia receives the same attention as it does in the world.

REFERENCES

Note: Please see p. 8.