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The 5th Annual IPMI Platinum Dinner was again a success. On September 14, with more than 220 attendees, many of whom held Platinum, Silver and Gold sponsored tables, it was sitting and standing room only in the elegant Holmes Ballroom at the Lotte New York Palace Hotel. Fox Business Anchor Trish Regan gave an interesting and thought provoking slide show presentation "Jobs: The Future of U.S. Workers Under a President Trump".





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# Prague Seminar 2017: What Will Our Metals' Future Look Like in Europe?

This seminar will cover multiple topics including changes in the market, new technologies and processes as well as new products.

Dates: Monday, 13 November 2017, 10:00 AM to Tuesday, 14 November 2017, 12:30 AM [CEST]

Location: Boscolo Prague, Prague, Czech Republic

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#### Prague Seminar 2017, continued from front page

This years' European Chapter Seminar will be held in the city of Prague, Czech Republic, in November. The event will take place at the Boscolo Prague, a 5 star-hotel which can be selected as one of the five best in the capital! We have secured a flat rate at 155 euros (+15% taxes, including breakfast) for single or double occupancy - a great opportunity to bring someone to perhaps the most beautiful city in the world! Kindly note, that the hotel is almost fully booked, so prompt booking is highly recommended!

#### **Tentative Schedule**

Monday, 13 November	10:00-11:00	Chapter General Assembly (all participants welcome)
	12:00	Lunch
	13:00-17:00	Seminar – day 1
	18:30-22:30	Cocktails & Dinner
Tuesday, 14 November	8:40-12:30	Seminar – day 2
	14:00-17:30	Safina Refinery Tour (registration mandatory – see below)

#### **List of Registered Participants**

There are more than 70 registered participants. A list is available by contacting us at europe@ipmi.org.

#### **Safina Refinery Tour**

A tour of **Safina refinery** will be proposed on Tuesday afternoon, courtesy of our Platinum Sponsor **Plaurum**. A bus will leave for that tour on Tuesday at approximately 14:00, and leave from the refinery at approximately 17:30. There is a possibility of taking a taxi from the refinery directly to the airport, for those who would like to catch a plane in the evening. Registration for that visit is mandatory and availability is limited. **continued on page 3** 

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#### **Preliminary List of the Speakers and Topics**

**Alessandro Stocco** (IKOI) ALS - Acid Less Separation System (title

not yet defined)

**Alexei Kornienko** (Krastsvetmet) Green Chemistry and Consumer-oriented

Business in the Future of Precious Metals

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**Bodo Albrecht** (SABIN Metal Corp.) Future for Precious Metals after Internal

Combustion Engine has been Replaced

by Other Technologies

**Denis Borovkov** (Plaurum) *PLAURUM: Strategy and Achievements by* 

Cooperation

**Ilya Nekhamin** (ReMetall Deutschland) *Recycling of the Spent Auto Catalytic* 

Convertors: Smelting - Technologies

**Development** 

Jonathan Butler (Mitsubishi) Palladium: Investor Dreams and Industrial

*Nightmares* 

**Klaus Sparn** (Umicore) *Increasing Complexity in Autocat Recycling* 

Michael Ludwig (ML-SOLUTION) Conflict Minerals Regulations

Mikhail Khaimov (Mairec) Precious Metals Recycling – The 2nd

Oldest Profession in the World. Do we really

need innovation?

Rene Wiskemann (Agosi) Conflict Free Gold

**Shahnawaz Islam** (CME) *CME Futures Product Offering – Au, Ag, Pt* 

& Pd Hedging Physical Price Exposure

using COMEX/NYMEX Futures

Simona Marta (BASF) Analysis of Silicon Carbide in Recycled

Automotive Catalyst Feedstocks

#### **Details & Registration**

Attendees may register for the seminar at the following rates:

- European Chapter Member: CHF 400.00

- IPMI Member : CHF 460.00 - Non Member : CHF 490.00

#### **Hotel Booking**

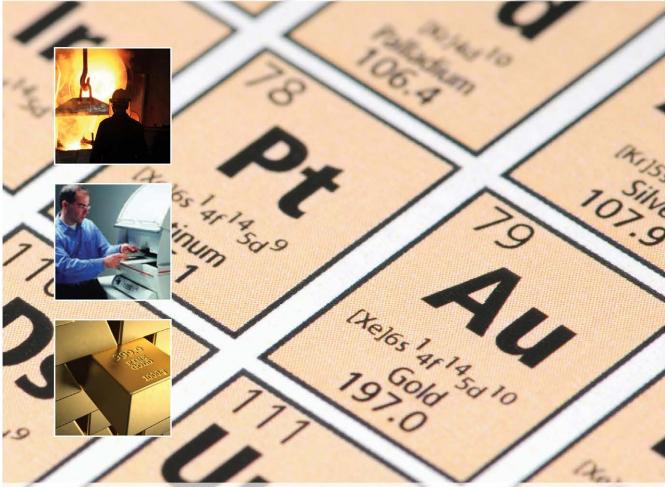
Use link above or book at the same conditions by phone + 420 224 593 111 or by email reservation@prague.boscolo.com. Mention IPMI European Chapter Seminar as well as group code SV3SV3A.

We are looking to see you all in Prague!

Any question: please contact us: europe@ipmi.org







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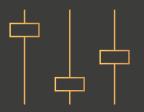








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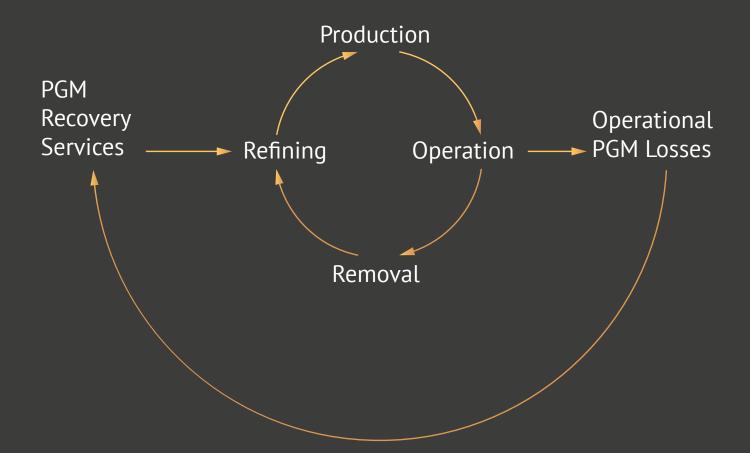
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## **INDUSTRY NEWS**



### Maria Piastre Promoted to President of Metallix Refining

Metallix Refining, Inc, a leader and innovator in the precious metals recycling industry for nearly five decades, announces the promotion of Maria Piastre to President, effective immediately.

"I am very proud of Maria. She is a skilled precious metal recycling executive and dedicated to Metallix," said Eric Leiner, owner of Metallix. "She has been essential to Metallix' growth and I am very confident that under her leadership, the company will continue to prosper well into the future."

As President, Mrs. Piastre will manage all day-to-day operations, executing the goals and needs of the company.

Mrs. Piastre, 37, joined Metallix in 2006 as a buyer for Latin America, successfully opening up that market for the company. During the last 12 years she rose to several supervisory and management positions, assuming the role of Vice President in 2014.

Mrs. Piastre received a Bachelor of Arts in Economics, magna cum laude, from Kean University. She serves on the board of the New York Metro Chapter of the International Precious Metals Institute (IPMI).

"I am grateful to Eric for his continued trust and confidence and am honored to accept this position," Piastre says. "I love Metallix and look forward to continually contributing to its success."

#### **About Metallix Refining**

For nearly 50 years, Metallix Refining, Inc. has been a leader and innovator in the precious metals recycling industry. Metallix purchases, recycles, and refines gold, silver, platinum, palladium, and rhodium, serving businesses in a variety of industries around the globe. An ISO 9001:2015 certified company, Metallix ensures that scrap precious metals are processed carefully, with strict attention to environmental, health, and safety regulations. The company operates two processing and recycling facilities in North Carolina, with executive offices in both Florida and New Jersey.





# 41st Annual Conference Proceedings Are In!

If you attended the Annual Conference this year in Orlando you were sent the .PDF bookmark link to the Proceedings. If you did not, the Proceedings link or a CD can be purchased on our website. The cost for current members is \$37.00 (plus shipping for the CDs). The cost for Non members or non current members is \$47.00.



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### **IPMI®** Calendar

2017	Oct 11-12	ERAC/EHS Meetings ● Baltimore, Maryland
	Nov 13-14	Europe Chapter Seminar • Prague, Czech Republic
2018	Feb 19-20	IPMI Seminar ● Bangkok, Thailand
	June 9-12	42 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference ● JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country, San Antonio TX
	Sept 13	6 <sup>th</sup> Annual IPMI Platinum Dinner ● New York Palace Hotel, New York NY

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