



## ITCO November 2017 Newsletter

### This month:

- **Successful Members Meeting held in Amsterdam**
- **Event Report on Website, including Minutes of Break-out Sessions and Divisional Meetings**
- **Keynote Presentations available to download**
- **Book your Exhibition Stand at Transport Logistic China 2018**
- **ITCO Website: Event Presentations, ITCO Publications and Guidelines available**

### 1. Successful Members Meeting held in Amsterdam

- Over 150 delegates attended the 2017 ITCO Members Meeting, held in Amsterdam on Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 October 2017.
- The Conference opened with a Keynote Presentation on BASF's use of Tank Containers for Integrated Storage and Logistics Speaker, given by Dr. Thorsten Bieker, Vice President Rail & Site Services, BASF.
- On the following day, Mark Bennett, Director, Bennett Consulting gave an overview of Container Shipping: "Mergers, Alliances – what is the future?" He reviewed the current changes in the container shipping industry, the impact of Hanjin bankruptcy, a perspective of takeovers, mergers and what this means for the shipping industry. He then questioned what would be the impact on the tank container industry.
- The second keynote speaker was Arie den Bleker, Inland Transport, Rail and Road Transport, Enforcement/Dangerous Goods, Ministry of Infrastructure and the Environment, The Netherlands, gave a report on the tank container inspection programme in the Port of Rotterdam. He reviewed the developments over the past year, covered the marking of IMO tanks and the different ways of enforcement by the ILT.
- Break-out sessions in the afternoon focused on Technical/Regulatory issues affecting the tank container industry, the 2018 Fleet Report, insurance/Risk Assessment for the tank container industry and the possible development of a Charter Party for the Industry.
- The final session included a presentation by Fort Vale Engineering, giving details of the company's 50 year history

### 2. Event Report on Website, with Minutes of Break-out Sessions and Divisional Meetings

- A Full Report of the Meeting can be found on the ITCO Website
- The document includes a Report of the Divisional Meetings and the Break-out Sessions.
- To download the Report, click here: [ITCO MEMBERS MEETING](#) [members only]

### 3. Keynote Presentations available to download – and Video Link

- The 3 Keynote Presentations given at the Amsterdam meeting are available for Members to download from the ITCO website. Click here: [KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS](#).
- To view the video presented by BASF at the Meeting, click here: [BASF](#).

### 4. ITCO Tank Container Village at Transport Logistic China 2018, Shanghai – only 6 Stands are still available!

- ITCO will once again be organising the **Tank Container Village at *transport logistic China 2018*** – taking place in Shanghai from Wednesday 16 to Friday 18 May 2018.
- There has been considerable interest in the Exhibition, with only 6 Stands still available
- Stand Package information is now available, together with the Stand Booking Form. If you wish to receive the document, please contact [hicks@itco.org](mailto:hicks@itco.org). This year you can complete the PDF document on your computer, then print and sign it - and return it to Meplan, the Stand Management Company.
- As usual, spaces are allocated on the basis of a “draw”, which will take place in early 2018.

### 5. ITCO Website and Conference Presentations available

- Members are reminded that there is a wide range of resources and information available for them to download from the ITCO Website. PDFs of the presentations made at the ITCO General Meeting are available for Members to download from the ITCO website.
- For access to Presentations at Meetings, Technical Documents, Regulatory Publications and Guidelines, go to: <http://international-tank-container.org/library/>

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