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Message from the Chairman:

“Long term prospects for the manganese industry remain sound”

Arnaud Tissidre
Chairman of the IMnI

2013 has been a defining year for the manganese industry with the emergence of new mines in South Africa and expansions at the major existing mines. Manganese producers have shown their ability to support the growth of steel production worldwide both for the present and the future. The growth of Chinese steel production in 2013 has once again contradicted the view that China has reached a plateau in its industrial development. But outside China, steel production has decreased and is still far below the level it had reached in 2006 and 2007. Consequently, the dependence of the manganese industry on China became increasingly obvious in 2013.

The end of the year signals some revival of steel production throughout the world and it can be expected that 2014 could be the first year since 2009 where we see positive development globally for manganese demand.

Nevertheless, the manganese industry faces difficult challenges going forward.

Rising energy and logistics costs, along with overcapacity in the manganese alloy industry has depressed manganese alloy producers’ profitability and shed a spotlight on growing discrepancies between mature and developing production locations.

Regulations, environmental constraints, local tax increases on mining will all define the future of our industry. The International Manganese Institute works to provide appropriate tools for its members to help them better face these challenges.

The long term prospects for the manganese industry remain sound: steel will continue to be required to support the urbanization of the growing world population. The growth of demand for manganese will certainly return, albeit with hiccups, but the industry has prepared the future and manganese will remain an essential contributor to the steel value chain. At the same time, the manganese industry will prove, with the support of the International Manganese Institute, that it is socially responsible, as it strives to apply the best standards for worker safety and the environment, while also honouring its responsibility towards local communities.

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Chairman of the IMnI

Message from the Executive Director:

“In 2013, IMnI increased its momentum, often outstripping its goals”

Anne Tremblay
Executive Director of the IMnI

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Throughout 2013, IMnI kept increasing its momentum, not only meeting its goals but often outstripping them.

• Our 10th EPD (Electrolytic Products Division) Conference in Changsha, China, attracted 170 delegates, confirming its status as IMnI’s most popular yearly event.
• The 4th OHES Workshop, which took place in Nanning, China, drew over 50 participants coming from 4 continents – making it the most widely attended to date.
• IMnI’s 39th Annual Conference, thanks to its stellar location – Istanbul – almost beat the record holder – Paris in 2010 – and would have, had it not been some last minute drop-outs, deterred by the political upheaval that erupted on the eve of our arrival.
• In a drive to further engage Chinese member in our activities, IMnI set up a China Statistics Committee, which held its 1st meeting in October. Cheng Bin (Jinneng) was elected Chairman.
• The Regulatory Sub-Committee held its 1st meeting in Asia, in Calcutta.

Moving into the New Year, IMnI not only has the wind in its sails, it is on the edge of a sea change.

Anne Tremblay
Executive Director of the IMnI
IMnI in 2013:

JANUARY - MARCH

- Aberto Saavedra, formerly with Minera Autlan, replaces Mark Camaj as Market Research Manager.
- IMnI holds its Annual China Banquet Dinner in Hong Kong on March 25. Some 65 members and potential members attend the event. The evening is hosted by: Asia Minerals, BHP Billiton, Eramet Comilog Manganese, Glencore, Minera Autlan, OM Holdings, Ore & Metal Company, United Manganese of Kalahari (UMK) and Vale who are all represented.
- IMnI again takes part in Metal Bulletin’s Asian Ferro-Alloy Conference in Hong Kong, March 26-28. IMnI Executive Director Anne Tremblay chairs the Mn panel, which features presentations by Chairman Peter Toth (OMH), Seung Jong Lee (Eramet Comilog Asia), Fei Lei (China Minmetals Corp) and IMnI Market Research Manager Alberto Saavedra.

APRIL - JUNE

- IMnI hosts its 10th EPD (Electrolytic Products Division) Conference in Changsha, China, on Monday, April 1, with the help of CITIC Dameng’s CEO Li Weijian, the head of IMnI’s EPD Division. The event attracts some 170 delegates in attendance.
- The 4th OHES Workshop, (Nanning, China, April 23-25), gathers over 50 participants from 4 continents – making it the most widely attended so far.
- With the new Organizational Structure adopted in 2012, 12 of the 15 Supervisory Board seats come up for re-election in 2013. Twenty-five candidates vie for the 12 seats. In an open election, 10 of the original Supervisory Board members are re-elected. The two new Board members are: Johan Kriek of UMK and Ruan van Schalkwyk of Glencore.
- For the 2nd registration deadline for EU-REACH, the Mn REACH Consortium successfully submits two additional substance dossiers, bringing the consortium’s total to 13.
- IMnI holds its 39th Annual Conference, June 2 - 4 in Istanbul. IPM Commodities sponsors the welcome cocktail, Ronly Alloys the Banquet Dinner along with Sfera, and Mineração Buritirama and Nippon Denko each a lunch. A visit to ACH/Metalkrom, a new Mn ore mine near Istanbul, owned by ChinaLight, wraps up the Conference.
- The General Assembly elects a new group of officers. Eramet’s Arnaud Tissidre replaces Peter Toth (OMH) as Chairman; Ferroatlantica’s Pedro Larrea replaces Tom Schutte (BHP Billiton) as Vice-Chair and Glencore’s Ruan van Schalkwyk replaces Lion Kirkels (Sibelco Europe) as Treasurer.
- IMnI issues a Position Statement for use with the new Maritime Shipping Code.
- Two new members join the Institute: South African miner Transalloys and Stockholm-based Uvån Hagfors Teknologi AB (UHT), a supplier of metallurgical processes to the ferroalloy industry.

JULY - SEPTEMBER

- OHES Manager Doreen McGough issues IMnI’s 1st OHES Newsletter, which reports on the progress of the OHES 5-Year Plan since it was launched in 2011.
- Executive Director Anne Tremblay is in China to meet with current members to better understand their needs and expectations as well as to strengthen collaboration with them.
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- New members: CREC Material (China) and SAC Co. Ltd. (South Korea).

OCTOBER - DECEMBER

- The 1st China Statistics Committee meeting is held on October 29th at Eramet-Comilog’s Shanghai Pudong offices.
- The Regulatory Sub-Committee holds its 1st meeting in Asia, in Calcutta.
- At the Metal Bulletin Ferro-Alloy Conference held in Barcelona in November, the Mn panel includes IMnI Chairman Arnaud Tissidre (Eramet) and IMnI Market Research Manager Alberto Saavedra.
- Marketing & Communications Chairman Colin Ouwehand, along with the Executive Director, Market Research Manager and India Representative are in Calcutta to speak at the Mn/Cr Ores and Ferro-Alloys Summit, and to meet with members and potential members.
- Hatch Canada completes IMnI’s Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) project.
- US industry service provider, S.H. Bell Co. takes out membership.

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**JANUARY - MARCH**

- Kupang Resources set to start manganese ore production in Indonesia.
- MOIL announces plans to increase production level to 2.2 million tonnes by 2020.
- Kalagadi announces that it will produce sinter by the end of April.
- Kaboko says Noble Resources debt facility will finance 10,000-tpm manganese ore project in Northern Zambia.
- Western Mining Network opts to acquire Indonesian manganese tenement holder.
- Kupang gets port deal for Indonesian manganese project.
- BHP Billiton’s Kloppers to retire; Mackenzie to take over as CEO.
- Nikopol cuts ferroalloys production as Stakhanov and Zaporozhye plants restart.
- Macedonian bulk alloys maker Skopski Leguri extends shutdown for alloys furnace.
- BHP Billiton opens new manganese furnace at Metalloys, its South African smelter.
- China’s Hongxin to start construction of Ukrainian manganese project by end of 2013.
- Shaw River expands Namibia manganese project.

**APRIL - JUNE**

- OM Holdings executes a $215-million and MYR 310 million project finance facility agreement for its Sarawak smelter Phase 1, in Malaysia.
- BHP freezes its manganese project in Gabon.
- Zambia aims to kick-start manganese production.
- Kaboko Mining acquires processing plant to treat manganese at northern Zambian project.
- Glencor paints complete the acquisition Xstrata.
- China’s Zhengzhou Commodity Exchange (ZCE) in central Henan province receives the Government’s approval to launch ferro-alloys futures contracts.
- Minco reveals new resource for Woodstock Mn Ore project in New Brunswick, Canada.
- Transnet gets approval to upgrade manganese railway corridor to Coega.
- Nippon Denko acquires a 25% stake in South Africa’s Kudumane manganese ore project.
- ARM/Assore to build a 169,000 tonne/year smelter in Malaysia.
- Nikopol set to decide on shutting all ferro-alloys production for a month.

**JULY - SEPTEMBER**

- Jiaolong discovers iron-manganese deposits in South China sea.
- MOIL gets prospecting licence for 11 manganese ore blocks in India; plans to achieve a production rate of 2.2 million tpy by 2020.
- Zestafoni restarts production of SiMn in Georgia after workers end strike.
- Ruukki SA starts $17m expansion of Mogale Alloys processing plant.
- Felman shuts down U.S. ferroalloys plant for three months.
- China to shut 1.93 million tpy of ferro-alloys capacity in 2013.
- India’s MOIL plans four new manganese mines in India.
- Nikopol stops two units; negotiates power prices.
- Segue completes sale of manganese project in Africa.
- Kaboko makes first manganese sale from its Mansa mine in Zambia.
- Chile approves $100 million manganese mine called “Los Pumas”.
- OM Holdings together with Nstimbinle and Jupiter Mines announce the creation of OMT, a joint venture for the marketing of Tshipi e N’te manganese ore.

**OCTOBER - DECEMBER**

- Sakura Ferroalloys will build a Manganese smelter in Samalaju to come online by 2015.
- BHP Billiton expands manganese ore capacity at Groote Eylandt.
- JSW planning JV with Noble Group to buy Stemcor assets.
- Kramatorsk will restart FeMn output in Ukraine.
- Sumitomo to market ferro-alloys from Sakura project.
- Eramet Norway halts one Sauda HC FeMn furnace.
- Skopski Leguri considers Q1 2014 restart if market conditions allow.
- OFZ stops SiMn production until March; keeps FeSi running.
- China’s major electrolytic manganese metal producers plan to raise capacity in 2014.
- Ferroatlantica looking to buy new metals plant in 2014 in North America or Asia.
- S. Africa’s President officially launches Kalagadi 2.4 million tonnes/year manganese sinter plant.
- Cancana starts manganese mining at new Brazil project.
- China announces 2014 export taxes will stay at 20% for manganese alloys.
- Nippon Denko and Chuo Denki announce that they will merge by July 2014.
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Now available on a monthly basis, IMnI’s reports examine both production and consumption, and the balance between the two, looking at the industry from both sides of the supply demand equation. The primary objective of these reports is to offer an analysis of the immediate past, which can provide the basis for Members to develop a greater understanding of their business. Our Market Research Manager, Alberto Saavedra examines manganese ore and alloy consumption as they relate to the steel industry with the application of an industry model. This approach provides increased accuracy and a systematic approach to better understand and anticipate changes in the industry. All IMnI data is available via our online database.

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Manganese Ore and Alloy Market Overview

2013, A Challenging Year

STEEL – Outside China, demand is poor. After 2012 global steel production increased by less than 1% year-on-year (y-o-y), 2013 continued the upward trend and grew by about 4% y-o-y to some 158 mln mt. China, which represents 49% of world steel production, or 782 mln mt, was the country that touted the most important increase in steel production: +10% y-o-y. However, other regions of the world saw their output decline, due to the persistent pessimism ruling the economic climate. North America and the European Union decreased their production levels by 4% and 3% respectively.

MANGANESE ALLOYS - high electricity prices and weak demand. Outside China, most countries throughout 2013 experienced weak demand for Mn ferroalloys due to disappointing steel output. High electricity rates, coupled with poor demand for Mn ferroalloys, caused the shutdown of some Mn alloy furnaces, primarily in Europe and North America. The IMnI estimates that 18.9 mln mt of Mn alloys were produced in 2013, up 8% y-o-y thanks to China’s increased demand. SiMn production accounted for 66% of total output (13.1 mln mt), HC FeMn for 25% (4.2 mln mt) and Ref FeMn for the remaining 9% (1.6 mln mt).

Global unit consumption of Mn ferroalloys continued to vary significantly from region to region, due to the different steel production processes, the variable quality of the raw materials used and the wide range of steel products produced. Global unit consumption continued to fall between 8-10 kg.

MANGANESE ORE – World Production increases to meet China’s needs; market balanced. Mn ore production (Mn contained units) increased by around 6% to just over 17 mln mt, compared to the roughly 16 mln mt produced in 2012. Production in wet mt grew at a slower rate of around 2% to 54 mln mt. The average grade was just under 31% Mn. The Mn Ore demand was led by China, its Mn Ore imports in 2012 represented 57% of the world total, while in 2013 it grew to 65%. Other regions in the world decreased their Mn ore consumption because of low Mn alloy demand. All in all, this led to a balanced market. The six major Mn ore producing countries continued to be China, Australia, South Africa, Gabon, Brazil and Ghana. All are major seaborne exporters, except China, which imports roughly 50% of its requirements. China remained by far the largest importer, with imports of around 16 mln wet mt. It also went through a cycle of destocking, consuming more than 1 mln mt of ore stocks, which had been stockpiled at major ports.

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Market Stats 2013

Figure 1. Steel Production (million mt)
near 1.6 billion mt of crude steel production due to a big Chinese contribution

![Steel Production Chart]

Figure 2. Global Mn Alloy Production
low demand outside China, high electricity tariffs and shut downs

![Mn Alloy Production Chart]

Figure 3. Global Mn Ore Production (million mt)
small rise in Mn unit production

![Mn Ore Production Chart]

Democracy Finds Its Voice

Following the significant renewal brought to IMnI’s organizational structure in 2012, twelve of the 15 Supervisory Board seats came up for renewal. Outside of the Executive Director (a standing member) and the two new members elected in June, 2012 (CITIC Dameng and MOIL), the 12 remaining members all stepped down and an election was called to fill their seats.
A New Supervisory Board Team

The Supervisory Board is mandated to set and oversee the execution of IMnI’s strategic vision. It meets twice a year. Traditionally reserved for Ordinary Members, the new organizational structure opened the Supervisory Board to Affiliate and EPD members, as well. Now all IMnI member companies have the right to hold office and vote. 2013 marked a milestone in the history of the IMnI: for the 1st time on record, members democratically elected the Supervisory Board.

When the call for candidates closed on March 29, twenty-five companies had come forward to vie for the 12 Supervisory Board seats. Voting forms were sent out to all IMnI members with instructions and May 7th deadline for return. Close to 65% of the members took part in the vote. Votes were audited by the Institute’s Chartered Accountant. Newly elected Supervisory Board members were then asked to elect in turn the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Treasurer. The results were ratified by the General Assembly at the Annual Conference in Istanbul on June 6. We are pleased to present above the people who will be guiding the IMnI over the course of the next two years (2013-2015).
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OHES 2013 : Enhancing safety through knowledge

The OHES 5-Year Plan (2011 – 2015) has made significant progress; over 70% of the projects were completed in 2013, some with innovative results. The five goals of the project are:

1. Anticipate & track global regulations. IMnI’s Regulatory Committee, tasked with tracking the growth of major regulations affecting our industry, was faced with REACH-like regulations spreading worldwide – particularly in Asia. Demonstrating the breadth of these regulatory influences, a comprehensive guidance document was issued to support members’ compliance with updates to the rules governing maritime shipping of bulk ore and alloy cargoes.

2. Develop economically sound industry safety standards. The quest for a globally acceptable occupational exposure limit (OEL) for the Mn industry, was led by Risk Sciences International (RSI Canada) to develop a U-shaped dose-response curve using a new method of combining different health endpoints based on their severity - Categorical Regression. The U-shaped curve will be used to determine the level of exposure to manganese that minimizes total health risk.

3. Study & limit occupational health effects. The lobbyist Kinghorn, Hilbert & Associates continues to seek US government funding for the Neurotoxicity Research Program developed by the IMnI. Meanwhile a collaborative bio-monitoring project with The University of Washington has kicked off.

4. Quantify & evaluate environmental life cycle & risk. Data collected for the cradle-to-gate Life Cycle Assessment is being modeled by Hatch, the Toronto consulting firm. Initial results highlight several aspects of efficiency in the mining & alloying processes within the Mn industry. Meanwhile, Watts & Crane of the UK, completed the data collection phase for the Environmental Risk Assessment project.

5. Knowledge-sharing and best practice. To promote the knowledge-sharing & best practices initiative, IMnI’s 4th OHES workshop in Nanning, China, focused on various aspects of environmental management and clean production. The presence of 52 delegates made it the most widely attended to date. Jointly sponsored by Chinese members SKI Shanghai, Minmetals, & CITIC Dameng the workshop was, overall, a resounding success.

New Directions. After sponsoring and participating in over 10 years of manganese research, including the Manganese Health Research Program (MHRP) 2003—2006, REACH Registration 2008 – 2013, the OHES 5-Year Plan: 2011 – and ongoing, the IMnI’s OHES department is ready to orientate all its scientific know-how and knowledge-base into a strategic business plan. Newly-elected OHES Chairman, Branislav Klocok is tasked with this new initiative.

DR. RIEDAWAAN PILLAY chaired the OHES Committee for the past two years. HSEC VP of BHP Billiton’s Mn Division, Riedawaan had been a member of the OHES Committee since early 2009 before taking the helm. Riedawaan’s calm and grace helped steer the committee through a particularly demanding phase: bringing the OHES 5-Year Plan from a paper project to its practical application, which resulted in a series of ground-breaking Mn studies. His contribution helped ensure the sustainability of the Mn industry.
The IMnI Electrolytic Mn Products Division (EPD)

The EPD Conference: the premier global EPD event

Global Electrolytic Mn Metal (EMM) continues to be almost exclusively produced in China, which accounts for over 95% of total world production. China produced an estimated 1.3-1.4 million mt of the metal in 2013. Much of this output is used within the country to produce the Stainless Steel 200 series (SS200). Most, if not all, of the nickel traditionally used in the production of stainless steel is replaced with EMM in this type of stainless steel. SS200 is a cheaper alternative of stainless steel used in a wide array of applications in China and India and is gaining acceptance in other parts of the world. China also exported over 256K mt of EMM in 2013, which is 100% more than the official exports in 2012. It seems that after the export tax abolition of 2012, the legal exports of EMM have increased and the illegal sales of EMM have shrunk. Other applications for which EMM is a vital ingredient include aluminium, specialty steels and high-strength steels.

Electrolytic Mn Dioxide (EMD) is a vital ingredient in the production of alkaline batteries, an essential part of our daily lives. The EMD industry is smaller than that of Mn alloys and EMM but no less important. Total annual production capacity is roughly 422K mt. IMnI EMD members are present throughout the world supplying major battery companies like Energizer and Duracell. Members include Citic Dameng and Ningxia Tianyuan in China, Delta EMD in South Africa, Erachem Comilog in the USA & Belgium, Quintal in Columbia, and Tosoh in Greece & Japan. IMnI represents a forum where EMD members can work to strengthen the industry and ensure a sustainable future marketplace.

The Electrolytic Products Division (EPD) hosted its 10th EPD China Conference in Changsha on April 1, 2013 with its 4 China partners. It was the largest global EPD conference of the year with over 170 delegates in attendance, once again proving to be the premier global EPD event. The program was filled with first rate international and domestic speakers who covered market dynamics and trends within these industries. Delegates actively participated in the forum which followed the conference, generating lively debate on the major issues facing the EMM and EMD industries.

Major topics covered included:
- Utilization of imported Mn ore in EMM Production
- Development of China’s Stainless Steel Industry & Impact on Mn demand
- Market Trends and Forecasts for EMM, EMD and Stainless Steel 200 Series

Our 11th EPD China Conference will be held on March 29, 2014 in Guiyang (Guizhou Province). For information about IMnI conferences, contact us at: events@manganese.org
MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS (M&C) COMMITTEE POLICY

- Improve communication between members.
- Create tools to attract new members.
- Promote new developments in the use of Mn.
- Enhance the public image of Mn.

The M&C Committee is responsible for:
• The Annual Conference, along with other seminars and events.
• Publications, such as the Manganese Matters newsletter, the Annual Review, the India & China Weeklies.
• The website.
• The membership drive.
• Establishing links with universities or research institutes working on new or improved ways to use Mn.
• Ensuring that members are heard, their needs comprehended and met, when possible, and encouraging them to take an active role in the Institute’s activities.

IMnI’s Marketing & Communications
A 3-Year Plan (2013-2016): A Time to Explore & Test

PRIORITIES REMAIN UNCHANGED
The Marketing & Communications 3-Year Plan (2013-2015) elaborated by the Committee will allow the IMnI to explore and test new strategies in preparation for the next 5-Year Plan (2016-2020). The objective remains unchanged: grow membership while ensuring current members satisfaction. This can be better achieved by adjusting the Institute’s communications tools in line with country-specific demands.

China and India remain priorities. The creation of the China Statistics Committee in October marked a milestone in this direction. Chaired by Cheng Bin (Shanghai Jinneng International Trade Co.), with the support of Vice-Chair Zhou Jian (Comilog Far East Development Ltd.) the committee has two primary objectives: to help IMnI better understand the Chinese market and to incite Chinese members to participate in the improvement of IMnI’s statistics service.

In the same spirit, an IMnI delegation led by M&C Committee Chair Colin Ouwehand, met with Indian members and other Mn companies in Kolkata during the Mn/Chrome Ores and Ferro-Alloys Summit in December.

In 2013, the Institute continued efforts to reinforce its relationship with members and raise its profile around the world.

The Electrolytic Products Division (EPD) held its 10th EPD China Conference in Changsha, on April 1st. Attracting over 170 delegates, the EPD conference has also confirmed its place as the year’s major international meeting for Electrolytic Manganese Products. The one day conference was hosted by CITIC Dameng.

IMnI also continued to be in demand at industry conferences. IMnI members Chairman Peter Toth (OMH), Seung Jong Lee (Eramet Comilog Asia) and Fei Lei (China Minmetals Corp) were guest speakers at Metal Bulletin’s Ferroalloy Hong Kong Conference in the Mn panel, chaired by IMnI’s Executive Director. The invitation was renewed by Metal Bulletin for its International Ferroalloy Conference in Barcelona in November, where speakers included new IMnI Chairman Arnaud Tissidir (Eramet) and Market Research Manager Alberto Saavedra.

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE
The 2013 edition in Istanbul once again confirmed its reputation as the Mn ore and Mn ferroalloy industries’ premier event. Attendance was over 165, making it one of the most well-attended to date, despite local events. The Conference theme “East Meets West” generated animated exchanges. Guest speakers included Turkish Economist & Journalist Asaf Savas Akat, Robert Yuksel Yildirim, President & CEO, Yildirim Group and Dr Nae Hee Han, Director, Economic Affairs and Chief Economist/Chief Representative Beijing Office, Worldsteel.
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