

Post Show Report

Khimia 2015 International Exhibition: 50 years on the Russian trade show market

The 18th edition of the International Exhibition for Chemical Industry and Science **Khimia 2015** ran at Expocentre Fairgrounds in Pavilions No. 2 and No.8 on October 27-30.

This year participants in the project have celebrated three anniversaries: the 50th anniversary of the Khimia exhibition, centennial of the exhibition initiator Leonid Kostandov and the 40th anniversary since the exhibition has become a UFI-approved event.

The trade show was supported by the Russian Ministry of Industry and Trade, Russian Chemists Union, NIITEKHIM OOO, Mendeleev Russian Chemical Society, and Chemical Department of Lomonosov Moscow State University. The show ran under the auspices of the Russian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Expocentre's major project was highly appreciated by professionals and government officials.

The trade show was well-organised in the best interests of all participants and visitors.

Exposition

This year **391** companies from **25 countries** showcased their state-of-the-art technologies and engineering developments on the exhibition space of **7,066 sqm**. Visitor attendance amounted to **16,410** people, **83%** of them were industry specialists.

Companies from **Belarus, Germany, China, and France** arranged their national pavilions.

The world's latest achievements were showcased by such companies as Akzo Nobel, Andritz, Dow, EPC Engineering, Evonik, Hatsaerts, Hosokawa, Huntsman, Jumo, Netzsch, Sartorius, Shimadzu, Solvay, and others.

190 Russian companies put on display their best accomplishments, among them Bashkir Soda Company, Polyplastic Group, UTS, Kazanorgsintez, Kaustik, KuibyshevAzot, Nizhnekamskneftekhim, Reatex, Taif-NK, Uralchem, Uralkali, PhosAgro, Chempack, Energomash, and many others.

The exhibition unique format allowed highlighting the most significant trends in the chemical industry. The industry experts attended the following product sectors: Chemical Industries; Raw Materials for Chemical Industry; Chemical Production; Products of Chemical Industry; Green Chemistry; Analytical and Laboratory Equipment; Laboratory Furniture and Glassware; Chemical Engineering and

Pumps; Technology, Raw Materials and Equipment for Production and Processing of Plastics and Rubbers.

One of the largest exhibition and convention projects in the chemical industry Khimia 2015 comprised a series of specialized exhibitions: **Chem-Lab-Analyt**, **Chem mash**, **Pumps**, **Green Chemistry**, and **Plastics Industry Show**.

For the first time the exhibition featured the International Salon of Equipment and Technologies for Corrosion Protection and Corrosion Resistant Materials **CORRUS 2015**. The salon was organized by Gubkin Russian State University of Oil and Gas, DECHEMA Society for Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology, and Expocentre ZAO. The event was supported by the European Federation of Corrosion and the Oil and Gas Section of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences.

Participants in the Salon were GfKORR Society for Corrosion Protection (Germany), European Federation of Corrosion (EFC), DECHEMA Society for Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology (Germany), CEFRAFOR French Centre of Corrosion Protection (France), National Association of Corrosion Engineers (NACE) (USA), DFI (Germany). Chinese companies showed a particular interest in promoting their products and services.

The **Petrochemistry Salon** devoted to oil and gas processing was first organized at Khimia. Among its participants were such companies as Fluid-Line, ZiRAX, Energoresurs and others.

The **Expocentre for Counterfeit-Free Exhibitions project** and **Scientific and Educational Center** were available for the trade show participants.

Event Program

Khimia 2015 was traditionally accompanied by a comprehensive **event program**.

The trade show featured

- 3rd Moscow International Chemical Forum;
- Symposium on Green Chemistry;
- 6th International Conference on Resource Saving and Energy Saving Technology in the Chemical and Petrochemical Industries;
- 6th Conference on Advanced Technology for Water Conditioning and Corrosion and Scaling Protection for Equipment;
- Conference on BASKO™ Concoctions Manufactured by Bars-2, Russia;
- Conference on New Technology of Corrosion Protection in Manufacturing;
- seminars, open sessions and presentation from participating companies.

RusIranExpo Group and Tempbank held the 2nd Business Conference “Russia-Iran. Cooperation in Polymers, Chemistry, Technologies, Oil and Gas Extraction and Processing” RosIranNefteKhim 2015.

The conference participants were representatives of the Russian federal and regional departments, among them the Ministry of Industry and Trade, the Ministry of Energy, leading Russian polymer and chemical companies, Iranian polymer and petrochemical companies, Russian trading and engineering companies as well as banks, insurance and transportation companies which had a long term experience of cooperation with the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The conference was used as a platform to exchange opinions and hold pre-contractual negotiations between Iranian and Russian businessmen.

At Khimia 2015 representatives of the two countries discussed new business terms and conditions under prolonged economic embargo from the West.

At the 18th edition of International Exhibition Khimia organizers held **competitions** dedicated to the centennial of Leonid Kostandov:

- 4th Competition for Innovative Works in Green Chemistry (with international participants);
- 9th Competition for Young Scientists (with international participants);
- 1st Leonid Kostandov Competition.

The next edition of the Khimia International Exhibition runs at Expocentre Fairgrounds on 19–22 September 2016.