

Regional MAGMA User Meetings World-Wide

The focus of all the regional user meetings in 2013 was on the exchange of know-how and the sharing of information among users and with MAGMA. A variety of input was provided by the application presentations by MAGMA users and by MAGMA contributions on current applications, new developments and the outlook on the upcoming version MAGMA⁵ Release 5.3 with new opportunities for optimization. As usual, tips & tricks

for an efficient use of the simulation software were also presented. The material and process specific workshops and forums, where MAGMA experts were available for questions on specific user issues, were received with great interest and enthusiasm. MAGMA thanks all the participants for their contributions and lively discussions. We look forward to seeing everyone again at the International User Meeting in October 2014 in Potsdam. ■



MAGMA partner Ametex hosted its 3rd South African MAGMA User Group Meeting in 2013 near Johannesburg and provided a platform for foundries to professionally network in a relaxed, yet focused environment at the Vaal River.



MAGMA Brasil hosted users from Brazil, Chile and Argentina at the South American User Meeting in Serra Negra in August 2013. A non-technical highlight at the end of the first day was the "traditional" soccer game and a typical Brazilian barbecue dinner.



The North American User Meeting in Itasca, Illinois, on 11 and 12 September 2013, featured valuable presentations and breakout sessions hosted by MAGMA Inc. Also in 2013, dedicated users from John Deere Foundry and from Ellwood Engineered Castings received their MAGMA certified user status.



In September 2013, the bi-annual user meeting of the Turkish users took place at Rahmi Koc museum next to the Golden Horn in Istanbul. MAGMA shareholder Dr. Erwin Flender opened the user meeting with a speech about the history of MAGMA and of MAGMA in Turkey.



Polish User Meeting, Wadowice: KOMOD-LEW, MAGMA's partner in Poland, hosted a record number of participants. Honorary guests included representatives from the Polish Foundrymen's Technical Association, the Foundry Chamber of Commerce, and professors from the Faculty of Foundry Engineering, AGH Univ. of Science & Technology, Cracow.



The Italian User Meeting took place in conjunction with the CAE Conference in Pacengo - Lazise (Verona). In the MAGMA session, great attention was paid to the MAGMA users who presented and shared their experiences.



The 2013 Czech and Slovakian User Meeting took place in October in Pardubice, Czech Republic. The event was hosted for the first time in the hometown of the new Czech MAGMA branch office, showcasing a MAGMA user family where a professional exchange contributes to the continuous education of the participants.



About 180 participants answered the invitation of MAGMA GmbH to the **German Language User Meeting in Bad Brückenau** in October 2013. Special attention was given to material and process specific workshops as well as the well-known forums, including a booth with information regarding the MAGMA-academy.



The 7th **Indian User Meeting** was held in **Coimbatore** in November 2013 with 110 MAGMA users and delegates from various companies across India in attendance. User presentations focused on scrap reduction and increasing yield, productivity, efficiency as well as effective cost savings.



The 9th **Greater China MAGMA User Meeting** took place in **Suzhou City** in November 2013. Many MAGMA users shared their simulation experience by presenting in front of the more than 150 attendees. The MAGMA China certified user program honored application papers provided by users and awarded the FAW Foundry Co., LTD. as the outstanding company using MAGMASOFT® in 2013.



The 8th **Korean MAGMA User Meeting** held in **Seoul** in November 2013 hosted approximately 70 attendees. A record number of MAGMASOFT® users shared their simulation experience with the audience and presented interesting case studies.