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6th world congress on Catalysis by Acids and Bases Genova, Ancient Harbor, May 10–14, 2009 Genova, Italy

Plenary lecturers

1. *The winner of the Tanabe Prize:* Prof. Enrique Iglesia, University of California, Berkeley, CA, USA
2. Dr. Carlo Perego, Istituto Eni Donegani, Novara, Italy
3. Prof. Michikazu Hara, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan
4. Prof. Bert F. Sels, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
5. Dr. Suheil Abdo, UOP, Des Plaines, IL, USA.

Keynote lecturers

1. Dr. C. H. Christensen, Haldor Topsøe A/S, Lyngby, Denmark
2. Prof. Juan A. Melero, ESCET, Rey Juan Carlos University, Mostoles, Madrid, Spain
3. Dott. Oreste Piccolo, Industrial Consultant, Sirtori, Lecco, Italy
4. Dr. Richard Bourne, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK
5. Prof. Erhard Kemnitz, Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany
6. Prof. Philippe Sautet, École Normale Supérieure de Lyon and CNRS, Lyon, France
7. Dr. Charles H.F. Peden, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA, USA
8. Prof. King Yeung, Hong Kong University of Sciences and Technology.
9. Prof. Unni Olsbye, Department of Chemistry, University of Oslo, Norway
10. Prof. Elisabeth Bordes, Université des Sciences et Technologies de Lille, France

80 oral communications, 120 poster communication, 220 participants

The main scientific activities of the congress will be held at the Magazzini del Cotone (“Cotton Storehouses” Congress Center, see the website <http://www.cotonecongressi.it>) in the Porto Antico area (the Cristoforo Colombo time ancient harbour) in downtown Genova. In the Congress center the Scirocco-Libeccio twin rooms, 260 places in total, will be available.

The main social activities (e.g. welcome party, social dinner) will be done in the same area, 10 min walking from the congress center.

In between we have the best tourist area of Genova, with the Aquarium, restaurants, cinemas and so on. The very old and beautiful Cattedrale di San Lorenzo (San Laurence cathedral) is not far (10 min walking in the old medieval town). The medieval town of Genova, just on the border of the old harbour, is the largest medieval city still existing in the world and was recognised by UNESCO as World Humanity Heritage. Some ceremony or an official visit can be held at the Palazzo Ducale.

The Genova airport, linked directly to London, Paris, Madrid, München, Roma, Milano, Napoli, Cagliari, is 15 min by taxi. The main Genova railway station is at walking distance from the Ancient Harbor.

The participants will be hosted in Hotels in the town (most of which are at walking distance from the Old Harbor) at reasonable prices. For young people, cheaper arrangements (bed and breakfasts, student houses) will be possible.

From the harbor, small ships allow interesting tours, such as whale watching in the “santuario delle balene” (“whales sanctuary”) between Riviera Ligure and Corsica, visits of Portofino, San Fruttuoso, Camogli, Portovenere and the Cinque Terre (also recognised by UNESCO as World Humanity Heritage), and the visit of the all Genova harbor.

For tourism information:

<http://www.inforiviera.it>
<http://www.apr.genova.it>
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