

The Iranian coatings chemistry in Europe

FATIPEC welcomes the Iranian association as a new member



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The Iranian coatings association CCPR has joined FATIPEC as a new member. One of the foundations of the participation is a long-standing co-operation between the University of Applied Sciences in Krefeld, Germany and the Amirkabir University of Technology in Teheran.

FATIPEC, the umbrella organisation of the European coatings chemistry, has welcomed a new, associate member: Iran, as represented by CCPR (Cooperative Company for Paints and Related Products Manufacture) in close cooperation with the Amirkabir University of Technology in Tehran.

The president of FATIPEC, Dr. Michael Hilt, and the managing director of CCPR, Mahdi Tehrani, signed the membership agreement after a virtually unanimous decision by the FATIPEC board in April. Amirkabir University of Technology is additionally represented on the board and on the European Scientific Committee by Morteza Ebrahimi. Membership followed twelve years of close co-operation between the Niederrhein University of Ap-

plied Sciences in Krefeld (Thomas Brock) and Amirkabir University (Mahmoud Kassirha). The Polymer and Paint Department at Amirkabir University has established an international reputation for itself over the course of the last 40 years. The level of coatings expertise in the country continues to be high, as evidenced by numerous seminars and congresses, the Institute for Color Science and Technology (ICST) and other Iranian universities.

The Iranian coatings industry

Despite or precisely because of the sanctions, a highly efficient coatings and raw materials industry has developed in Iran, ranging from numerous coatings-processing companies through to an indigenous automotive industry.

The latter produces - as well as finishes - about one million cars annually. Some 550,000 tonnes of paints and coatings (half of them industrial coatings) and 120,000 tonnes of binders are produced every year. A substantial proportion of these are exported, especially to countries around the Persian Gulf and the Middle East, the Emirates, and CIS states. ◀

Mahdi Tehrani, CCPR Director (left), seminar at the Amirkabir University (right) and Isfahan (top)

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