

2017 WORKSHOPS PROGRAMME

Wednesday January 11th

Sharing a 2-year experience in innovation @ Sonaca
Hugues LANGER, SONACA S.A.

- *An overview of Sonaca Innovation Program Experience: H. LANGER, Sonaca CTO*
- *Sonaca Aircraft: a new Venture, P. VAN WETTER, Sonaca Aircraft CCO /S. LANCEREAU, Sonaca Aircraft CFO*
- *A new Business Unit in additive Manufacturing, N. VAN HILLE, Sonaca Group R&T Manager*
- *Sonaca Engineering Services: An end-to-end engineering offer in advanced structures, I. YAGUE, Sonaca Group Engineering Services Sales Manager/ J.L. MAGERMAN, Sonaca Group Prototypes & Tests Manager*

This GRD meeting will be followed by a GRD Network Advisory Board meeting.

Wednesday February 8th

Defence: the challenge of innovation
Colonel GS Fernand ROUVROI, RHID

- *Innovation through Research and Technology in Belgian Defence, Colonel GS G. MAENE, Director-general Royal Higher Institute for Defence*
- *Operational Preparedness: Rabies Immune Responses by Accelerated Intradermal Rabies Pre-exposure Vaccination Schedules in Belgian Armed Forces, Med Lieutenant-colonel P. SOENTJES, Military Hospital*
- *Advanced persistent threat detection in military and government networks, Professor W. MEES, Royal Military Academy*
- *Force protection engineering, Professor J. VANTOMME, Royal Military Academy*
- *Materials engineering, Professor L. RABET, Royal Military Academy*
- *Cooperative Multi-Robot Surveillance, Professor E. COLON, Royal Military Academy*

Wednesday March 8th*Innovation to sustainably feed the growing planet's population***Jean SIMONS, CARGILL**

- *Introduction: Cargill Inc., a global family owned corporation that nourishes people around the world, J. SIMONS, Site Director*
- *Cargill's ingredients in our daily life, A. VAN DER WULP, Regional R&D Director*
- *Food & health trends and related policy developments in Europe, K. OTTEN, Director Policy & Government Relations*
- *How innovation can respond to food challenges & secure supply, G. MAESMANS, R&D Director Starches & Sweeteners Group*
- *Role of innovation in optimizing livestock nutrition and growth, T. VAN GERWE, Global R&D Director Poultry*

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Wednesday April 19th*World-wide automotive Japanese supplier in Belgium***Mustapha AZZOUZI, AISIN AW EUROPE**

- *Meeting the challenges of factory 4.0, J.M. LARDINOIS, Manager Electronics Production & Maintenance*
- *Managing the public funding of R&D activities in Belgium, F. BURGNET, Deputy Manager VIT Advanced Development*
- *Managing R&D in an international Japanese company, J. VANDERSLEYEN, Manager VIT Advanced & SW Development*

Wednesday May 10th*BiR&D Annual Event "Belgium, THE better place for R&D"***Marnix BOTTE, BIR&D President**

- *Detailed schedule to be confirmed*

Wednesday June 14th

How Air Liquide participates in various sectors with its gases and processes to a better environment

Vincent HECQUET, AIR LIQUIDE

- *Introduction of Air Liquide*, V. HECQUET, ALTEC & M&P Market Manager Cluster North West
- *Hydrogen, "The 2020 vision of Air Liquide on Hydrogen mobility Benelux"* W. VELGHE, Offer Deployment Manager Benelux Manufacturing & Process
- *The new processes for the aeronautic, medical and automotive industry (3D metal printing, cryomachining with liquid nitrogen): Development of new solutions*, A.-M. PUBILL MELSIO, Responsible Marketing cluster South West
- *New equipment for CO2 injection in collaboration with Solidia (US start-up)*, S. MARION Altec Expert & V. HECQUET ALTEC & M&P Market Manager Cluster North West

Wednesday September 13th

Implementing an innovative organization in a mid-size industrial environment; learnings

Jean-Pierre MAYERES, NMC

- *Introduction NMC Group*, H. BOSTEN, CEO
- *Implementing an innovative organization in a mid-size industrial environment*, E. NOEL, Innovation Manager / J.P. MAYERES, CTO
- *Case study of an innovation project*
- *Innovation in commodity polymer business (SABIC Geleen)*

Wednesday October 11th

Steel-friendly Flanders: building bridges from multiple perspectives

Sven VANDEPUTTE, OCAS N.V.

- *OCAS: 25 years of steel and metals research with industrial and economic added value*, S. VANDEPUTTE, Managing Director OCAS NV
- *Integrated Combinatorial Facility: joint offer to bridge TRL 1-7 levels*, S. CLAESSENS, CTO OCAS NV
- *Successfully integrating human resources management in an environment of highly educated scientific personnel: firework or suicide?*, G. LAUREYSSSENS, HR manager FINOCAS Group
- *Finindus | Investing in materials*, D. DEBOEVER, Head of investments, Finindus

Wednesday November 8th*Revitalize a short of breath innovation process or change the paradigm?***Fabrice RENARD, PRAYON S.A.**

- *Prayon Innovation-10 years after- what we have learned: failures, achievements and relevant experience to be shared*, F. RENARD, Chief Innovation Officer
- *Ideation process to serve a strategic development and to motivate people*, A. NAVARRO, Business Innovation Officer
- *Big data-Specific case of data mining to resolve trouble in the development of battery materials*, D. ESKENAZI, Research Scientist
- *Presentation and visit of the pilot plant: LIFE polyphos acid project*, F. GEVERS, Legal Counsel and Project Leader

Wednesday December 13th*We innovate to create value***Bart WALLAEYS, RECTICEL R&D**

- *Introduction Recticel*, B. WALLAEYS, R&D operations manager
- *How we innovate to create value- part 1*, J.P. DE KESEL, Chief sustainability Innovation Officer
- *How we innovate to create value- part 2*, B. WALLAEYS, R&D operations manager

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