
Preface

In the broadest of terms, the objective of the Asian Battery Conference is to contribute in that part of the world to the continuing pre-eminent position of the lead/acid battery as the world's technology leader in energy storage systems

The lead/acid battery industry and the lead industry, which have such strong mutual inter-dependence, jealously guard this pre-eminent position of the lead/acid battery

By this First Asian Battery Conference, the Zinc and Lead Asian Service (ZALAS) aims to ensure that the fast growing battery industry in Asia and the Pacific Basin has at its disposal the full range of state-of-the-art technologies in alloy metallurgy, battery design, equipment and materials development; supply, health and environmental factors in production, market development trends; and new research prospects.

ZALAS was proud of the gathering of expert speakers from various world centres who discussed their technologies at this First Asian Battery Conference. We thank them for their enthusiastic involvement. We were further delighted with the response by the battery industry in Asia to the concept of this Conference which was illustrated by the great numbers that attended.

Finally, and from a personal point of view, I wish to congratulate ZALAS management both for its initiative in creating a valuable forum aimed at developing battery industry technology in Asia, and for the flawless organisation of the Conference that made it both an instructive and an enjoyable event.

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