

NEWS ALERT



Cortec® Sponsors Corrosion Education in Chile



Cortec® Corporation, in conjunction with Ferrimex Chile, was pleased to sponsor the “One Day Corrosion” event organized in Santiago, Chile, on October 19, 2018, by the University of Santiago and NACE International—Chile Section.

The seminar was entirely devoted to the theme of corrosion costs. As pointed out by the host of the seminar, Dr. Alberto Monsalve, Director of the Metallurgic Engineering Department (of the University of Santiago), Chile is still lacking a comprehensive assessment of the cost of corrosion in its different industrial sectors.

Over 100 people attended the all-day seminar and had the opportunity to listen to 16 speakers, who, through a variety of presentations on industrial “best practices” or R&D, described their cost-impact viewpoint on protection options. These ranged from coatings and cathodic protection, to surface preparation, CUI strategies, galvanized surfaces, etc. Dario Dell’Orto, Cortec® VP of International Sales, presented the use of VpCI® corrosion inhibitors related to “Temporary Coatings in Process and Storage Applications,” which are somewhat new and unique compared to traditional permanent coatings.

At the conclusion of the seminar there was a general discussion among all attendees about several initiatives such as the need to continue “Corrosion Awareness” education, promote a “Corrosion Prevention” culture, and increasingly involve industrial management. They also discussed the need to develop the “Corrosion Engineer” career program at the university level, similar to what already exists in some Latin American countries.

As a consequence of the seminar’s success, there was a clear and general request to continue doing similar events in the future. In fact, the Chilean Air Force has already proposed organizing the next seminar jointly with the Chilean Army and Navy in October 2019, tentatively.

Alberto Monsalve (University of Santiago), Jose Sierra (NACE International) and Alberto Orostegui (NACE Chile) expressed their gratitude to Cortec® and Ferrimex for participating in the “One Day Corrosion” conference. In this regard, it is highly rewarding for Cortec® to be increasingly known along with Ferrimex as active warriors in the fight against corrosion.

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