

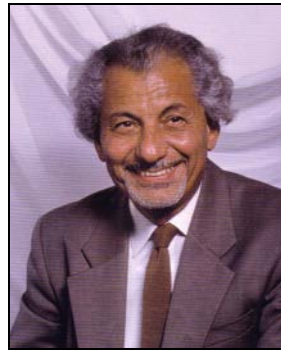
Conference Report

The 25th International Congress on Extractive Metallurgy was held in Hotel Gran Plaza in Guanajuato, Mexico May 1-4, 2016. It was chaired by Professors Enrique Elorza Rodríguez and Ma. Mercedes Salazar Hernández, Departamento de Ingeniería en Minas, Metalurgia y Geología, Universidad de Guanajuato.

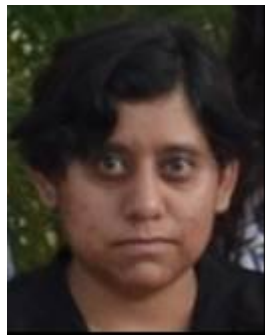
The Congress was founded 25 years ago by Prof. Jesus Leobardo Valenzuela, Director Division de Ingenieria, Universidad de Sonora in Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico and the present one was in honour of Professor emeritus Fathi Habashi, Laval University in Quebec City, Canada. At the same time the Congress marks the 70th anniversary of the University of Guanajuato which was originally founded in 1732 as the “Colegio de la Santisima Trinidad”.



Prof. Jesus Leobardo
Valenzuela



Professor emeritus Fathi
Habashi



Profa. Ma. Mercedes
Salazar Hernandez



Prof. Enrique Elorza
Rodríguez

The Congress was opened in the afternoon of May 1 in presence of:

- Dr. Antonio Vega Corona, Secretary of Research of Science, Technology, and Innovation, representing the Governor of the State of Guanajuato
- Dr. Javier Corona Fernandez, Rector of Universidad de Guanajuato
- Dr. Luis Enrique Mendoza Puga Director de la Division de Ingenieras
- M en c. Federico Vogel Gonzalez Director del Departamento de Minas



Opening ceremony. From left: Federico Vogel Gonzalez, Luis Enrique Mendoza Puga, Javier Corona Fernandez, Antonio Vega Corona, Fathi Habashi and Enrique Elorza Rodriguez

The Congress included 63 papers in three sessions and 26 posters. The Book of Abstracts was distributed to participants and a Proceedings Volume in planned in September. Total participants were 90 mainly from Mexico. A banquet was held in the evening of May 3 at the Tourist Center of Guanajuato “Parador San Sangre de Cristo, Mineral de La Luz, Gto.” which included dinner and Mexican entertainment, this one sponsored by La Secretaria de Turismo of Edo. Gto. A closing ceremony was held in the afternoon of May 4.



Posters

After the Congress three short courses were given: Heap leaching by Dirk Van Zyl, Chairman of Mining Department at the University of British Columbia (36 assistants); X-Ray Diffraction by Marius Ramirez Cardona and Martín Adelaido Hernandez Landaverde (25 assistants); and a Short Course in Pyrometallurgy by Fathi Habashi (8 assistants).

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