IPMI Strengthens Its Voice in Public Policy

Fall Legislative Affairs Conference Set for Washington, D.C.

In August, IPMI announced its acquisition of the Precious Metals Association of North America (PMANA) which was formerly the Silver Users Association.

Stated IPMI Executive Director Larry Drummond:
“The addition of PMANA brings IPMI a renewed focus on public policy – particularly legislative affairs and is another step in providing more services and benefits to IPMI.”

Added IPMI President Oliver Krestin:
“As part of the newly reorganized IPMI and its purpose to serve as the premier trade association of the precious metals industry, bringing the PMANA under IPMI's umbrella was in the best interest of both organizations and will provide a significant benefit to IPMI members.”

PMANA's focus on government affairs and advocacy gives IPMI a bigger voice and greater presence in Washington, DC. It is the first step in IPMI's strengthened efforts to address public policy issues – not just in the US but internationally. Future plans call for a similar initiative in the EU. As an international organization, IPMI believes it can better serve its members by playing a greater role in issues affecting the precious metals industry globally.

Along with IPMI's acquisition of PMANA, IPMI has engaged the services of Miller/Wenhold Capitol Strategies to provide a number of important services in public affairs, including identifying issues of concern to the precious metals industry, alerts, periodic analysis, lobbying assistance, and presentations at IPMI's annual meeting.

Miller/Wenhold, and particularly its principal Paul Miller, was a driving force behind PMANA’s popular and well-attended annual fall conference in Washington, D.C. This conference will now be a regular IPMI event and will be held this fall on October 29 and 30th at the Army-Navy Club in Washington.

For precious metals companies concerned with the impact of government on its bottom line and strategic planning, the fall legislative conference is a must-attend event. Attendees will hear directly from both industry leaders and policy experts on a variety of domestic and international legislative and regulatory topics along with political experts discussing what's at stake in the 2020 elections. Other speakers include members of Congress and their staff, as well as other experts on hot button issues such as critical materials, AML, tariffs, counterfeiting, and legislative initiatives on tax.

As part of the two-day conference, IPMI will be hosting a special dinner, where we will be honoring Scott Smith, one our industry friends who passed away late last year. This award recognizes the positive contributions made by an IPMI member to the overall industry over their career. Past recipients include Dom Passaro, Jon Potts, and John King.

2019 has been an exciting year for IPMI with its organizational restructuring to becoming the premier trade association for the precious metals industry. We are committed to providing our members with new and more relevant services and benefits. We continue to build upon our programs to help our members both better address the challenges facing our industry, while enhancing understanding and opportunity. The acquisition of PMANA was another step in that process. We're excited to welcome the members of the PMANA and we look forward to increasing our advocacy efforts.

Stay tuned for regular updates on what we're doing in Washington and the impact on your business. We look forward to you joining us in Washington on October 29 and 30th.

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A Refining and Mining Perspective

October 13 – Opening Evening Reception
October 14 – Symposium (Details on next page)
October 15 – Optional Social Outing

Suggested Accommodation:
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Code 76059 for IPMI Rate $199
Name of Group: International Precious Metals Institute

Register Here!   Symposium Cost: $249
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EVENT TIMELINE:

Sunday Evening
Evening reception and meet & greet at the Table Mountain Inn

Monday
A full day symposium composed of presentations, discussions and time for networking

SPEAKER AGENDA:

“The Handling of Outliers in Sampling”
Francis Pitard, expert in sampling theory and SPC, President, FPSC

“Carbon Circuit Modelling – Theory and Application”
Tyler Crary, Senior Metallurgist, SGS Minerals

“The Impact of Impurities on the Sampling of Dore and Karat Scrap”
David Murray, Metal Management Director, Asahi Refining

“Refining Industry By-products: Representation and Analysis”
Cody Burke, Analytical Chemist, Axium

“Considerations in the Fire assay of Copper Bullion”
Matthew Cole, Analytical Chemist, Sabin Metal

“Can I get a Witness! : How Third-Party Supervision supports Precious Metals Trade”
Joshua Husvar, Precious Metals Manager, Bureau Veritas

“The Kroll Institute For Extractive Metallurgy; 45 Years of Research and Education Success”
Dr. Corby G. Anderson, Harrison Western Professor at the Colorado School of Mines

“Tellurium Co-precipitation – Revisited”
Dr. Stacey Santolli, Sr Chemist, BASF

Monday Evening
Dinner reception at the Fossil Trace Golf Club

Tuesday
An optional day of golf at the Fossil Trace Golf Club followed by a tour of a local microbrewery.

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2019 Legislative & Public Affairs Meeting Agenda:

**Tuesday, October 29**

10:00 a.m.  Conference Kick-off – Opening Remarks  
Larry Drummond, Executive Director, IPMI

10:15 a.m.  Speaker: Mitch Moonier – Vice President, Miller/Wenhold Capitol Strategies  
Topic: Update on IPMI’s Legislative Agenda: Capital Gains, Counterfeiting, Tariffs  
Speaker: Chris Bryant – Bergeson & Campbell  
Topic: Environmental Update

10:45 a.m.  Speaker: Neil Meader, Metals Focus  
Topic: How Legislation is Impacting Silver’s Supply & Demand

11:30 a.m.  Invited Speaker: Hunter Morgen – Special Assistant to the President  
Topic: President Trump Counterfeit Memo

12:00 p.m.  Invited Lunch Speaker: Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-CA)  
Topic: Presidential Candidate Experience and Challenges Facing the U.S.

1:30 p.m.  Invited Speaker: Hon. Hugo de Zela, Ambassador of Peru  
Topic: Tariff Impact on Peru and Global Economy

2:30 p.m.  Invited Speaker: Amy Bos – Legislative Director, Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI)  
Topic: Wayfair; H.R. 1933 “Online Sales Simplicity and Small Business Relief Act”

3:00 p.m.  Speaker: Jon Gold – Vice President of Supply Chain and Customs Policy, National Retail Federation  
Topic: Update on U.S.-China Tariffs

3:30 p.m. - Break

3:45 p.m.  Invited Speaker: Brandon Steinmann – Legislative Director for Rep. Alex Mooney (R-WV)  
Topic: H.R. 1089 “Monetary Metals Tax Neutrality Act”

4:15 p.m.  Invited Speaker: Leah Vukmir – National Taxpayers Union  
Topic: Wayfair and States’ Responses

5:00 p.m.  Adjourn

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2019 Legislative & Public Affairs Meeting Agenda:

5:30 p.m.  Cocktail Hour

7:00 p.m.  President’s Dinner Honoring IPMI’s 2019 Jack Gannon Industry Leader of the Year Award Recipient: Posthumously Scott Smith, Pyromet

Wednesday, October 30

8:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m.  Invited Speaker: Rep. Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY)

9:30 a.m.  Invited Speaker: Jordan Schwartz, World Bank Director for Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay
Topic: Economic Development: Global Infrastructure Needs

10:15 a.m.  Invited Speaker: Travis Johnson – International Anti-Counterfeiting Coalition
Topic: Counterfeits and their impact on Business and Government

11:00 a.m. - Break

11:15 a.m.  Invited Speaker: Shawnna Bennett – United States Geological Survey
Topic: President’s Strategy to Ensure a Reliable Supply of Critical Minerals

12:00 p.m.  Invited Speaker: Kara Getz – Counsel (Majority), House Ways & Means Committee
Topic: Future Changes to “Tax Cuts and Jobs Act”

1:00 p.m.  Adjourn

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Please go to the IPMI website, http://ipmi.org/awards/index.cfm for short videos describing our awards & scholarships as well as for lists of past award recipients.

Send a letter of nomination along with curriculum vitae, if appropriate, a list of contributions and achievements and any other supporting documentation in one pdf file by email to: mail@ipmi.org Please put “Premiere Award Nomination” in the subject line on the email.

Your nominations should be mailed no later than September 30, 2019.
Background

The IPMI Foundation is the charitable, scientific and educational affiliate of the International Precious Metals Institute (IPMI). One of the foundation’s primary purposes is its Student Awards Program. Each year at its Annual Meeting, the Foundation awards some $100,000 in grants, internships, and cash awards to students, professors, and student advisors from around the world. Scholarships to research focusing on precious metals include:

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Documents

The following application documents are required:

- Student CV (resume);
- Executive Summary of the research (maximum half-page), indicating the program the student is enrolled in, as well as the expected end-date of the program;
- Short research plan (maximum 2 pages) detailing research performed so far with results, as well as planned projects during the remaining time of the education program;
- Nomination/recommendation letter (maximum 1 page) from the supervising professor;
- Students are welcome to add any other document they deem pertinent to their application (e.g. published papers, extended research details, academic grades, etc.).

Please submit one single pdf file containing all documents; the file name should be as follows: “student_last_name student_first_name - academic institution with country” (for example: Smith John - Columbia University USA).

Please mail the pdf application to: mail@ipmi.org

Student Award Winners

The student award winners are asked to attend IPMI’s Annual Conference in Henderson, nearby Las Vegas, NV (USA) in June 2020, present their work in the Student Research Session and join all the conference professional and social events. They will have many opportunities to meet and interact with people from the precious metal industry.

Students joining the conference will be reimbursed for their travel expenses by the IPMI Foundation (economy flights, to be purchased at the lowest available rate). Conference registration (including meals) and hotel reservation will be made by the IPMI Foundation.

About IPMI

The IPMI Scientific and Educational Foundation, Inc. is the charitable, educational, and scientific affiliate of the International Precious Metals Institute, Inc. IPMI is the largest and best-known organization of producers, refiners, fabricators, scientist, users, financial institutions, merchants, private and public sector groups, and the general precious metals community. The organization seeks and promotes the efficient and environmentally sound use, reuse, and recycling of precious metals from both primary and secondary resources. The IPMI Scientific and Educational Foundation conducts educational meetings, offers courses and serves as primary resource for information for the public, industry, and government agencies worldwide. It is headquartered in the USA with several Chapters in North America and Europe.
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