



Secretary's Report: January 2010

1. Introduction from the ITCO Secretariat

As this is my first Secretary's report, I would like to introduce myself to those members I have not already met.

I took over the position of ITCO Secretary from Willy Freson at the beginning of January. Having been involved in the tank container industry since 1979, I am relishing the challenge of this new position. I am looking forward to building on the work that Willy has done over the past 10 years. In conjunction with the ITCO Board, a range of interesting projects is being planned for ITCO Members for 2010 and beyond. These will be presented at the General Meeting in Nice.

Please feel free to contact me about any ITCO activities – my email address is hicks@itco.be. I am assisted by my colleague Kate Marszalek, who is responsible for financial and administration matters. She can be contacted on secretary@itco.be.

2. ITCO President and Vice-President

At the ITCO Board of Directors meeting held in Brussels on 19 January 2010, our President Reg Lee agreed to stay on in this position for a further year.

We are also pleased to announce that Willy Van Loon, of Group Van Loon, Antwerp, was elected to the position of ITCO Vice President.

3. Minutes of 19 January 2010 Board Meeting

The minutes of the recent Board Meeting will be available to ITCO Members on our website within the next week. I would request that all members read through these minutes carefully.

If there are any points in the minutes of the meeting where you would like clarification or further information, you should contact your organisation's Divisional Director as soon as possible.

Divisional Directors are elected for a 4-year period; and they in turn speak for the Division at Board Meetings.

4. Nice General Meeting: 2 & 3 March 2010

Arrangements are progressing well for the ITCO General Meeting on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd March. We are looking forward to seeing as many Members as possible at this important event.

Meeting Programme

The Meeting Programme has now been finalised and is available on the ITCO website.

The Programme will comprise both plenary sessions and break-outs, with the following items on the Agenda:

- ITCO Programme of Activities for 2010
- Technical Report
- Flexitanks: Opportunities or Challenges for the Tank Container Industry (with Guest Speaker)
- Break-out sessions for Membership Divisions
- ITCO Container Pavilion at Transport Logistic China
- ITCO DVD Project
- Study on the Sustainability of the Tank Container
- ITCO Project: Working at Height
- ITCO Project: Tank Containers and Shipping Lines

Drinks Reception and Dinner

There will be a dinner on Tuesday 2 March for all participants, where Willy Freson and his wife Christiane will be the Guests of Honour.

Prior to dinner, there will be a drinks reception, generously sponsored by Perolo.

Practical Information: Registration and Accommodation

The General Meeting will take place at Le Meridien Hotel, 1 Promenade des Anglais, Nice.

The delegate registration fee includes: Conference participation, two lunches, coffee breaks, dinner and one night's accommodation (with breakfast).

The fee to attend the meeting is €440 for delegates wishing to stay in Classic rooms and €475 for delegates in Superior rooms. Extra nights can be booked, as required.

As space is limited, Members should confirm their participation as soon as possible.

Email: hicks@itco.be to make your bookings.

5. 3rd ITCO Golf Cup: Royal Mougins Golf Course: Monday 1 March 2010

Places are still available for Members wishing to participate in the 3rd ITCO Golf Cup, taking place at the prestigious Royal Mougins golf course (www.royalmougins.fr) in Mougins (near Cannes) on Monday, 1 March 2010. This is the day preceding the ITCO General Meeting. Tee times will be from 11.00 hours, flights will consist of 4 persons. Bookings must be received by Friday 5 February.

For further information, please email Philip van Rooijen at philip.vanrooijen@trifleet.com

6. ITCO Container Pavilion at Transport Logistic China 2010, Shanghai

ITCO will be organising a Container Pavilion at the *Transport Logistic China 2010* exhibition taking place in Shanghai, 8-10 June 2010. Building on the success of this project in 2008, the Pavilion will be organised in conjunction with the Container Owners Association, and will consist of:

- An independent ITCO stand, promoting ITCO activities and membership
- A Central Meeting Area with refreshments and Sponsors Tables
- Individual Exhibition Stands for ITCO Members

Further information, including the Container Pavilion Floorplan and details of Exhibition Stand and Sponsorship Packages, can be found on the ITCO website.

A number of ITCO Members have already confirmed their participation – as space is limited, companies wishing to reserve exhibition space should contact hicks@itco.be as soon as possible. Stands will be allocated on a “first-come, first-served” basis.

7. New ITCO Accountants, Registered Office and Secretariat Office

Accountants and Registered Office

At recent ITCO Board Meeting, it was agreed that new Accountants would be appointed for ITCO. The new accountants are:

The KBSP Partnership, Harben House, Harben Parade, Finchley Road, London NW3 6LH
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This will also be the ITCO's registered office for legal matters.

ITCO Secretariat Office

For all day-to-day matters, please note that the office of the ITCO Secretariat is:

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