

# Highlights of the Cordage Institute & Eurocord's 5<sup>th</sup> Joint Conference

The 5th Joint Conference of the Cordage Institute and Eurocord was held on June 12-15, 2022 at the Hilton Vienna Plaza in Vienna, Austria. The full conference program included a Technical Seminar, Business and Industry Meeting, Technical Committee Meetings, and plenty of networking opportunities.

The Business and Industry Meeting included new Cordage Institute member presentations from Wilhelmsen/Timm Ropes and Gulf Rope and Plastic Products, and lively presentations and discussions on new geopolitics and their impacts, and disruptive supply chains.

The busy program for the Technical Seminar included the following presentations:

**Toward Safer Mooring – Snap Back Arrestor**  
Thomas Caradec, Wilhelmsen /Timm Ropes

**Deep Learning as a Tool to Measure the Quality of a Rope**  
Mike Poroo and Justin McCoy, Scope

**Business Model Canvas in Recycling Fishing Nets & Ropes**  
Burak Akcel, Kaya Ropes

**Circularity of Fishing Gear**  
Marcel Alberts, Healix

**Proven Reliable Performance Assurance Through Qualified Temperature Modelling**  
Marc Eijssen and Bill Fronzaglia, DSM

**The Plasticulture Industry's Commitment Towards Circularity**  
Bernard Lemoine, ADEME

**New Developments in Multi-balloon Twisting Applied to Delicate Fibers**  
Miquel Moix, Twistechonology

On Monday, attendees were treated to a lovely off-site dinner featuring traditional Viennese cuisine at Heurigen Schreiberhaus in the midst of a romantic vineyard on the outskirts of Vienna.

The following night, Eurocord and the Cordage Institute hosted a Gala Dinner & Concert at Palais Ferstel, an opulent structure with a stunning ballroom filled with dazzling chandeliers. During dinner, KK-Strings performed classical music, followed by a comedic musical performance to end the evening.

As always, the Annual Gale Foster Memorial Golf Tournament was a great success. We would like to extend a special thank you to the following conference sponsors:

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Mark your calendar for the Cordage Institute 2023 Annual Conference. The event will be held on May 16-18, 2023 at the Cheyenne Mountain Resort in Colorado Springs, Colorado.





Koen Van Goethem (left) and Beth Huntley (right) present John Flory (center) with the Gale Foster Award of Merit.



Bill Putnam (right) presents Koen Van Goethem (left) with a plaque for his contributions as the Cordage Institute's President from 2019-2022.



Janpeter Horn (left) presents "The New Geopolitics: Impacts on International Trade." He is joined on a panel with Caroline Van Beelen (center) and Koen Van Goethem (right)



Presenter: Marcel Alberts, Healix



Presenter: Burak Emin, Kaya Ropes



Attendees participating in the Technical Seminar Session



Presenter: Justin McCoy, SCOPE



Presenter: Thomas Caradec, Wilhelmsen Ships Service



Koen Van Goethem and Caroline Van Beelen give a toast during the Gala Dinner & Concert at Palais Ferstel



Presenter: Marc Eijssen, DSM Protective Materials



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