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Global foil rollers re-elect President for second term

Vote of confidence expressed during 5th Global Aluminium Foil Roller Conference (GLAFCO)

Göksal Güngör has been re-elected as President of the Global Aluminium Foil Roller Initiative (GLAFRI) for a second term. Mr Güngör also serves as General Manager of Assan Alüminyum in Turkey and, before his election in 2018, had served on the board of the organisation as a Vice-President. At the same time Olaf Müller of Hydro (Europe), Patrick Lawlor of Gränges (USA) and Simon Chan of Xiashun (China) were all confirmed in their positions as vice presidents by the General Assembly and will continue to serve on the GLAFRI Board.

“I am delighted and honoured to be asked to continue to serve GLAFRI as its President and hope to continue with the many exciting projects we have initiated“, said Mr Güngör. “The successful expansion of the Alufoil Trophy competition from Europe, where it is well established, into China and Latin America, is a particularly notable achievement over recent years. The Alufoil Trophy is a very important way to raise the profile of innovation in aluminium foil and the sector globally.”

The election took place during the 5th Global Aluminium Foil Roller Conference (GLAFCO) 23-25 January 2019 in Dubai, UAE, which drew almost 100 participants from all continents from the world-leading players in the aluminium foil rolling industry alongside key players in the end market for aluminium foil. During the conference challenges and opportunities facing global foil markets were discussed by the delegates. Key topics were foil market developments, sustainability and recycling as well as customer views e.g. from Hyundai, Nespresso, Constantia, Huhtamaki and others. Among the topics covered was also the role of aluminium foil in future product design and trends in its use in high barrier flexible packaging.

One of the leading market research companies in the sector CRU presented the global outlook for aluminium foil which is expected to continue growing with X per cent this year and y per cent next year.

“Altogether, 2018 was a good year for foil rollers and the outlook for 2019 remains favourable. We will continue to promote our ‘One Voice’ message to support global market growth and themed messages on sustainability and recovery,” Mr Güngör concluded.

Further information:

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The Global Aluminium Foil Roller Initiative (GLAFRI) is the global association coordinating actions on sustainability in order to support foil market growth and promote innovative development. GLAFRI members are foil rollers and suppliers and represent about 55% of the global foil production.