

14th India International Phosgene Conference

“Advancing Safe and Sustainable Manufacturing and Use”

16th September 2026, Wednesday

Hotel Grand Mercure Surya Palace, Vadodara, India.

Tentative PROGRAMME

09.00 am – 09.30 am	Registration	
	Inaugural Session	
09.30 am – 09.40 am	<i>Welcome Address</i>	Mr. D. Sothi Selvam, Director General, Indian Chemical Council
09.40 am – 09.50 am	<i>About and Progress of IPC (Indian Phosgene Council)</i>	Mr. Arun Nandi Chairman, Indian Phosgene Council, Head EHS, Covestro Ankleshwar Head P&PS, Covestro India
09.50 am – 10.00 am	<i>Introductory Remarks & Genesis</i>	Mr. Ravi Kapoor, Chairman – Sustainability Committee, Indian Chemical Council
10.00 am – 10.10 am	<i>Guest of Honour</i>	DISH/GBCB/PESO
10.10 am – 10.25 am	<i>Chief Guest's Address</i>	Mr. Jayant Dhobley, Additional Vice President, Indian Chemical Council
10.25 am - 10.30 am	<i>Vote of Thanks</i>	Mr. Vikram Singhal President, Gulbrandsen Technologies, LLP
	Technical Sessions	
10.30 am – 10.50 am	<i>Phosgene World – Global Overview*</i>	Mr. Stefan Drees Head - Global Phosgene Steering Group Covestro, Germany
10.50 am – 11.20 am	<i>Balancing Process Safety and Sustainability</i>	GNFC Ltd.
11.20 am – 11.40 am	Tea/Coffee Break	
11.40 am – 12.10 pm	<i>Lessons Learned from Incidents*</i>	Dr. Christian Lange Plant & Process Safety, Covestro, Leverkusen Germany
12.10 pm – 12.40 pm	<i>Phosgene Safety Concept and Learnings from Audits</i>	Dr. Sonika Rathore Site Operations Unit Lead Silvassa & BD, Bayer Crop Science Ltd., India
12.40 pm – 01.10 pm	<i>Gas Mapping & Quantitative Risk Assessment for Phosgene Detector Placement</i>	Mr. Rahul Raman, Principal Engineer, Kaypear, Chennai
1.10 pm – 02.00 pm	Lunch Break	

	Technical Sessions	
02.00 pm – 02.20 pm	<i>Training of Phosgene Plant Managers*</i>	Mr. Joan Codina Jornet Covestro, Spain
02.20 pm – 02.50 pm	<i>Phosgene Toxicology: What We Know and What Comes Next*</i>	Dr. Gustav Bruer, Managing Director, Toxalis GmbH, Hannover, Germany
02-50 pm – 03.20 pm	<i>From Factory Floor to ICU: A Medical Toxicologist's Framework for Phosgene Emergencies</i>	Dr. Tejas Prajapati, MD, Medical Toxicologist, Ahmedabad
03.20 pm – 03.40 pm	Tea/Coffee Break	
03.40 pm – 04.25 pm	<i>Practical Application of AI in Chemical Manufacturing</i>	Mr. Atul Garg, Co-Founder, SkillTelligent Solutions
04.25 pm – 04.55 pm	<i>Energy Efficient Phosgene Production*</i>	Dr. Johan van den Eynde Covestro, Germany
04.55 pm – 05.25 pm		
05.25 pm – 05.30 pm	<i>Reflections and Closing Remarks</i>	

*Virtual presentation