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TRACER 8- 2019 Edition of the International Conference on Tracers and Tracing Methods

The 8th International Conference on Tracers and Tracing Methods dubbed 'Tracer 8 Conference' was held in Da Nang, a coastal city in central Vietnam, known for its sandy beaches and history as a French colonial port from February 26-28, 2019.

Thematic areas for the conference included hydrodynamics studies using tracing methods, residence time distribution (RTD), systemic modeling, and compartmental modeling and Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) simulations. The conference was also open to presentations about new technical features concerning tracers, methods, devices, and applications in industry, science and medicine.

The conference, which drew participants from 34 countries, opened on Monday with a welcome speech from the host country and the co-organizers, Progepi and the first keynote lecture. The oral sessions followed and interspersed with interesting coffee breaks. The typical conference day usually ended with flash oral communications where poster presenters had the opportunity to 'smooth talk' fellow participants and luring them to their stands!

The International Society of Tracer and Radiation Applications (ISTRA) took advance of the ambience to encourage non-members to become members. The executives engaged participants on proactive ways the society can 'make noise' within the international community.

Other attractions were a welcome cocktail at the reception of the plush grand Tourane hotel which hosted the conference participants and a gala dinner where guests were treated to traditional Vietnamese dances in the background of sweet music from a wide range of Vietnamese traditional stringed instruments.

The organizers were full of appreciation to conference participants for their presence and active participation in the entire programme and expressed the hope that the networking and collaboration, initiated through the Tracer 8, will continue. This should hopefully result in a massive turn out at Tracer 9!!



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The participants of TRACER 8 conference



Impression from the conference