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AGENDA as of January 8

TUESDAY 19 MARCH

WORKSHOPS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

7:30am - 8:30am	Registration and Breakfast
•	Genius Exchange: A Showcase for Today's Business Solutions
8:30am - 5:00pm	New! Introduction to the Global Chlor-Alkali Business Workshop New! Petrochemical Price Forecasting Techniques Workshop Petrochemical Industry Fundamentals Workshop Specialty Chemical Industry Workshop
8:30am – 5:00pm	
8:30am - 12:30pm	Special Program: Technology Seminar (half day, includes Lunch)
	Lunch
2:00pm – 5:30pm	Special Program : Sustainability Seminar (half day, includes Lunch)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Welcome Reception

TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS SUMMIT

8:30am - 8:45am	Welcome Remarks
8:45am - 9:10am	Keynote: Blockchain
9:10am - 9:20am	Q&A
9:20am - 10:00am	LPG & Ethane Exports
	Scott Gray, Senior Director, Waterborne, IHS Markit
10:00am - 10:10am	Group Q&A
10:10am - 10:35am	Networking Break
10:35am - 11:25am	Digitization in the Petrochemical Supply Chain
11:25am - 11:40am	Group Q&A
11:40am - 12:30pm	Panel – Block Chain: A Case Study
	Moderator: Joel Morales, Executive Director, Polyolefins Americas, IHS Markit
12:30pm - 1:45pm	Lunch
1:45pm - 2:45pm	Panel Discussion: Global Port Updates
	Filip Vandenbussche, North America Business Development and Port Representative, Antwerp Port Authority
	Didier de Beaumont, Commercial Manager, Port of Amsterdam
	Tony Quinn, CEO, TankBank International
	John A. Moseley, CCO, Port Houston
	Marie-Hélène Pasquier, Secretary General, Port of Marseille Community
2:45pm - 3:15pm	Networking Break
3:15pm - 3:25pm	Enabling Secure and Efficient Financial Transactions Across the Supply Chain
3:25pm - 3:35pm	The Future of Digitizing Trade
3:35pm - 3:45pm	Trader Perspective
3:45pm - 4:15pm	Group Q&A
	Moderator: Joel Morales, Executive Director, Polyolefins Americas, IHS Markit
4:15pm - 4:20pm	Closing Remarks

WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH

EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE

7:00am – 8:30am	Registration and Breakfast
•	Genius Exchange: A Showcase for Today's Business Solutions
8:30am - 8:35am	Welcome Remarks Dave Witte, SVP, Division Head - Energy & Chemicals, IHS Markit
8:35am - 8:40am	Moderator Remarks Lyn Tattum, VP, IHS Markit
8:40am - 9:05am	
	Global Crude Oil Outlook Jim Burkhard, Vice President, IHS Markit
9:30am – 9:55am	Navigating Geopolitics of Energy Carlos Pascual, SVP, Global Energy, IHS Markit
9:55am – 10:20am	State of the Global Chemical Industry Dave Witte, SVP, Division Head - Energy & Chemicals, IHS Markit
10:20am – 10:35am	Panel Discussion/ Q&A Moderator: <i>Lyn Tattum, VP, IHS Markit</i>
10:35am – 11:05am	Networking/ Coffee Break

11:05am - 11:10am	Moderator Remarks
	Lyn Tattum, VP, IHS Markit
11:10am - 12:15pm	Executive Panel: The Golden Age of Chemicals – A Question of Sustainability
	Jim Fitterling, CEO, The Dow Chemical Company
	Olivier Thorel, Executive Director, Saudi Aramco
	Bob Patel, CEO and Chairman, Management Board, LyondellBasell
	Datuk Sazali Hamzah Managing Director and CEO, PETRONAS Chemicals Group Berhad (PCG)
	Deepak Parikh, President and CEO, Clariant Corporation North America
	Moderator: Lyn Tattum, VP, IHS Markit
12:15pm – 1:50pm	
1:50pm - 1:55pm	Afternoon Session – Tour of the World - Moderator Remarks
	John Page, VP, OMDC, Consulting, IHS Markit
1:55pm - 2:40pm	Executive Discussion: Developments in Emerging Markets
	Fernando Musa, CEO, Braskem
	Avinash Verma, Executive Director (Petrochemicals), Indian Oil Corporation
	Bi Chen, EVP, CNOOC
2:40pm – 3:00pm	
	Speaker to be announced
3:00pm – 3:20pm	Europe: Adaptability for Sustainability
	Daniele Ferrari, CEO, Versalis S.p.A
	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
	Moderator: John Page, VP, OMDC, Consulting, IHS Markit

4:05pm – 5:15pm	Panel Discussion: The Essentials of a Sustainability Business Strategy
	Cal Dooley, President and CEO, American Chemistry Council (ACC)
	Tim Stedman, SVP and Business President, Trinseo
	Heloisa Schmidt, Head of Global Sustainability, Bechtel Oil, Gas and Chemicals, Inc.
	Edison Terra, VP, Polyolefins, Renewables and Europe, Braskem
	Moderator: Lyn Tattum, VP, IHS Markit
5:15pm - 5:45pm	Global Petrochemical Markets Outlook
	Mark Eramo, VP, Global Chemical Business Development, IHS Markit
5:45pm – 5:50pm	

THURSDAY 21 MARCH

BREAKOUT TRACKS

7:00am - 8:10am 7:00am - 8:00am	Registration and Breakfast Breakfast: Mobility & The Future Impact on Chemicals Open to all attendees.
8:00am – 6:00pm	Genius Exchange: A Showcase for Today's Business Solutions

TRACK 1: AROMATICS AND FIBER INTERMEDIATES

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8:10am - 8:15am	Moderator Opening Remarks	
	Duncan Clark, VP, Aromatics & Fibres, IHS Markit	
8:15am - 8:30am	Strategic Assessment of Aromatics & Fibre Intermediates	
	Duncan Clark, VP, Aromatics & Fibres, IHS Markit	
8:30am - 9:00am	Global Benzene Outlook	
	Peter Feng, Senior Director, Global BTX, Aromatics, IHS Markit	
9:00am - 9:30am	Global Styrene, PS and EPS Outlook	
	Brian Lee, Director, Asian Aromatics, IHS Markit	
9:30am - 10:00am	Developments in Cumene, Phenol & Acetone	
	Tobias Spyra, Director, Styrene and Phenolics EMEA, IHS Markit	
10:00am - 10:15am	Panel Discussion/ Q&A	
	Moderator: Duncan Clark, VP, Aromatics & Fibres, IHS Markit	
10:15am - 10:45am	Morning Refreshment Break	
10:45am - 11:15am	Prospects for Global Paraxylene & PTA	
	Duncan Clark, VP, Aromatics & Fibres, IHS Markit	
11:15am - 11:45am	Global MEG Outlook	
	Ashish Pujari, Senior Director, Asia Aromatics, IHS Markit	
11:45am - 12:00pm	Panel Discussion/ Q&A	
	Moderator: Peter Feng, Senior Director, Global BTX, Aromatics, IHS Markit	
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Luncheon	
1:30pm - 1:40pm	Afternoon Moderator Remarks	

Peter Feng, Senior Director, Global BTX, Aromatics, IHS Markit

1:40pm - 2:10pm	Global PET Outlook
	Tison Keel, Director, PET, PTA & EO Derivatives, IHS Markit
2:10pm - 2:40pm	The Future of PET Recycling
	Peter Zurkow, CEO, Perpetual Recycling Solutions
2:40pm - 3:10pm	Global Polyester Fibers Outlook
	Prem Chitkara; Director, Polyester and Nylon Fibers EMEA, IHS Markit
3:10pm - 3:30pm	Afternoon Refreshment Break
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Global Nylon Fibers & Feedstocks Outlook
	Meiko Woo, Director, Asia, IHS Markit
4:00pm - 4:30pm	A Producer Perspective of Polyurethane and Isocyanates Market
	Peter Huo, VP, Wanhua Chemical Group
4:30pm - 5:00pm	Polyurethane & Isocyanates
	James Elliott, Principal Analyst, IHS Markit
4:30pm - 4:35pm	Closing Remarks

TRACK 2: FEEDSTOCK AND REFINING INTEGRATION

8:10am - 8:15am	Moderator Opening Remarks
	Kurt Burrow, VP, OMD Insights, IHS Markit
8:15am - 8:30am	Strategic Assessment of Refining & Aromatics
	Kurt Burrow, VP, OMD Insights, IHS Markit
8:30am - 9:00am	Market Update on Crude Oil
	Speaker to be announced
9:00am - 9:30am	Refined Product Market Developments - Gasoline, Diesel & Jet Fuel
	Sandeep Sayal, Executive Director, Consulting, Downstream, IHS Markit & Stephen Jew, Associate Director, Energy Downstream Research, IHS Markit
9:30am - 10:00am	Natural Gas and LNG Prospects
	Darryl Rogers, Managing Director, Energy, Midstream Oil & NGL Consulting, IHS Markit
10:00am - 10:15am	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
10:15am - 10:45am	Morning Refreshment Break
10:45am - 11:15am	Impact of Increased Electric Vehicles on Gasoline and Oil Demand
	Speaker to be announced

11:15am - 11:45am	How Technology and Policy is Changing Trucking, Ship and Aviation
	Daniel Evans, Consulting Executive Director, Downstream, IHS Markit
11:45am - 12:00pm	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Luncheon
1:30pm - 1:40pm	Afternoon Moderator Remarks
1:40pm - 2:10pm	Light & Heavy Naphtha - Drivers for Greater Integration
	Premasish Das, Executive Director, Energy, IHS Markit
2:10pm - 2:40pm	Gasoline Market Development - Demand, Octane and Quality
	Speaker to be announced
2:40pm - 3:10pm	Trends in Mega-Integrated Refining / Petrochemical Capacity
	Sandeep Sayal, Executive Director, Consulting, Downstream, IHS Markit & Stephen Jew, Consulting Associate Director, IHS Markit
3:10pm - 3:30pm	Afternoon Refreshment Break
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Developments in Refining & Petrochemical Integration Technology
	Speaker to be announced
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Crude-to-Chemicals and Deep Petrochemical Integration Developments
	Sanjay Sharma, VP, Middle East & India, Chemical Consulting, IHS Markit
4:30pm - 5:00pm	An Alternative Feedstocks View - Autonomy Scenario
	Speaker to be announced
5:00pm - 5:05pm	Closing Remarks

TRACK 3: INORGANICS AND DERIVATIVES

8:10am - 8:15am	Moderator Opening Remarks
8:15am - 8:30am	Strategic Assessment of Chlor-alkali & Vinyls
	Chuck Carr, VP, Inorganics, IHS Markit
8:30am - 9:00am	Global Caustic Soda Market Developments
	Hazel Kreuz, Executive Director, Chlor-Alkali/Vinyls, IHS Markit
9:00am - 9:30am	A Producer's Perspective on the Chlor-Alkali/ Vinyls Market
	Speaker to be announced
9:30am - 10:00am	China and the Changing Landscape
	Eddie Kok, Executive Director, Chlor-Alkali/Vinyls, IHS Markit
10:00am - 10:15am	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
10:15am - 10:45am	Morning Refreshment Break

10:45am - 11:20am	India and Southeast Asia - Growing Markets for Caustic Soda
	Wilson Loh, Senior Principal Analyst, Global Chlor-Alkali Market Advisory Services, IHS Markit
11:20am - 12:00pm	Pulp and Paper Market Developments - Impact on Caustic Soda
	Nick Kovics, Executive Director Bleaching Chemicals/Lithium Battery Materials, IHS Markit
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Luncheon
1:30pm - 1:40pm	Afternoon Moderator Remarks
	Chuck Carr, VP, Inorganics, IHS Markit
1:40pm - 2:10pm	Alumina/Aluminum Market Industry Perspective
	Speaker to be announced
2:10pm - 2:40pm	Outlook for CAV Investments
	Lauren Zeiss, Research and Analysis Associate Director, IHS Markit
2:40pm - 3:15pm	PVC Growth Market Developments
	Ana Lopez, Associate Director Vinyls, IHS Markit
3:15pm - 3:30pm	Afternoon Refreshment Break
3:30pm - 4:00pm	IMO 2020 and the Impact on Trade: Caustic Soda, EDC, PVC and Soda Ash
	Marguerite Morrin, Executive Director, Soda Ash, IHS Markit
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Vinyl Industry Sustainability: Promoting Value
	Cristian Barcan, VP Sustainability & Industry Affairs, The Vinyl Institute
4:30pm - 5:00pm	The Future of PVC in a More Sustainable World
	Henry Warren, Director Vinyls, IHS Markit
5:00pm - 5:05pm	Closing Remarks

TRACK 4: OLEFINS, FEEDSTOCKS AND DERIVATIVES

8:10am – 8:15am	Moderator Opening Remarks
	Dewey Johnson, VP, Base Chemicals and Plastics, IHS Markit
8:15am - 8:30am	Assessment of Olefins Market
	Dewey Johnson, VP, Base Chemicals and Plastics, IHS Markit
8:30am - 9:00am	Olefins & Polyolefins: Sustainability and Demand Risks
	Stephen Cornell, Join President and CEO, Sasol Limited
9:00am - 9:30am	Prospects for Global Ethylene
	Steve Lewandowski, VP, Olefins, OMDC, IHS Markit

9:30am - 10:00am	Global Propylene Outlook
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10:00am – 10:15am	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
	Moderator: Dewey Johnson, VP, Base Chemicals and Plastics, IHS Markit
10:15am - 10:45am	Morning Refreshment Break
10:45am - 11:15am	Global Polyethylene Developments
	Nick Vafiadis, VP, Plastics, IHS Markit
11:15am - 11:45am	Update on Global Polypropylene
	Joel Morales, Senior Director, Polyolefins Americas, IHS Markit
11:45am - 12:00pm	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
	Moderator: Dewey Johnson, VP, Base Chemicals and Plastics, IHS Markit
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Luncheon
1:30pm - 1:40pm	Afternoon Moderator Remarks
	Steve Lewandowski, VP, Olefins, OMDC, IHS Markit
1:40pm - 2:10pm	Energy and Feedstocks in Olefins
	Walt Hart, VP, Global NGLs, IHS Markit
2:10pm - 2:40pm	Asia Olefins & Derivatives
	Jinsu Yim, Director Asia Olefins, IHS Markit
2:40pm - 3:10pm	EMEA Olefins & Derivatives
	Matthew Thoelke, Senior Director, Olefins & Derivatives, Europe, Middle East & Africa, IHS Markit
3:10pm - 3:30pm	Afternoon Refreshment Break
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Global Acrylonitrile Outlook
	Simon Garmston, Senior Director Global Acrylonitrile, IHS Markit
4:00pm - 4:30pm	Global Methanol Value Chain
	Mike Nash, Senior Director, Global Syngas, IHS Markit
4:30pm - 5:00pm	Global C4/Butadiene Markets
	Bill Hyde, Senior Director, Olefins & Elastomers, IHS Markit
5:00pm - 5:05pm	Closing Remarks

TRACK 5: SPECIALTIES AND INTERMEDIATES

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8:10am - 8:15am	Moderator Opening Remarks
	Tony Potter, VP, Specialty Chemicals, IHS Markit
8:15am - 8:30am	Strategic Assessment of Specialty Chemicals
	Tony Potter, VP, Specialty Chemicals, IHS Markit
8:30am - 9:00am	Industry View of the Specialties Market
	Speaker to be announced
9:00am - 9:30am	M&A Drivers in Specialty Chemicals
	Mark Morgan, Global Director, Specialty Chemicals and Renewables, Chemical Consulting, IHS Markit
9:30am - 10:00am	Specialties Chemicals – the Key Enabler of Sustainable Development
	Marifaith Hackett, Executive Director, Renewables & Nutrition, IHS Markit
10:00am - 10:15am	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
	Moderator: Tony Potter, VP, Specialty Chemicals, IHS Markit
10:15am - 10:45am	Morning Refreshment Break
10:45am - 11:15am	Global Fertiliser Markets – Feeding the World without Spoiling It?
	Bala Suresh, Executive Director, Industrial Gases and Fertilizers, IHS Markit
11:15am - 11:45am	Flavors and Fragrances
	Liliana Viciu, Director, Renewables & Nutrition, IHS Markit
11:45am - 12:00pm	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
	Moderator: Tony Potter, VP, Specialty Chemicals, IHS Markit
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Luncheon
1:30pm - 2:10pm	Panel Discussion: Battery Materials- Supply & End-Use Market Dynamics
	Stefan Schlag, Executive Director, IHS Markit
2:10pm - 2:40pm	Engineering Plastics & Automotive Lightweighting
	Brendan Dooley, Director, Engineering Plastics - North America, IHS Markit
2:40pm - 3:10pm	Polyalphaolefins – The Lubricants of the Future
	Vivien Yang, Executive Director, Specialties, IHS Markit
3:10pm - 3:30pm	Afternoon Refreshment Break
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Developments in Coatings

	Eric Linak, Executive Director, Resins & Coatings, IHS Markit
4:00pm - 4:30pm	MMA/PMMA: Have the Markets Returned to Normalcy?
	Emanuel Ormonde, Director, Specialty Polymers & Elastomers, IHS Markit
4:30pm - 5:00pm	Global Acrylates & SAP
	Dennis Poussin, Director, Global Acrylates and SAP, IHS Markit
5:00pm - 5:05pm	Closing Remarks

FRIDAY 22 MARCH

WORKSHOPS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

7:30am - 8:30am	Registration and Breakfast
8:00am - 2:00pm	Genius Exchange: A Showcase for Today's Business Solutions
8:30am - 5:00pm	Commercial Impact of Olefins & Polyolefins Technologies Workshop Petrochemical Industry Fundamentals Workshop Purchasing Excellence in Chemicals Workshop New! Understanding Petchem Feedstocks and the Refinery/ Petrochemical Interface Workshop
8:30am – 1:30pm	Special Program: China Forum (half day, includes Lunch)
·	Special Program : Latin American Petrochemical Summit (half day, includes Lunch)
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	Welcome Remarks Dave Witte, SVP, Division Head - Energy & Chemicals, IHS Markit China Chemical Industry Outlook and Impact from US and China
	Welcome Remarks Dave Witte, SVP, Division Head - Energy & Chemicals, IHS Markit China Chemical Industry Outlook and Impact from US and China Trade Relations

9:25am - 9:45am	Doing Business in China: A Global Player's Perspective
	Speaker to be announced
9:45am - 10:05am	Business Opportunities for Chinese Companies in the U.S.
	Mark Eramo, VP, Global Chemical Business Development, IHS Markit
10:05am - 10:30am	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
	Moderator: Paul Pang, VP, Business Development, Chemical, IHS Markit
10:30am - 11:00am	Networking/ Coffee Break
11:00am - 11:20am	China Refining and Fuel Market Developments
	Speaker to be announced
11:20am - 11:40am	Private Enterprises: China's Rising Stars
	Speaker to be announced
11:40am - 12:00pm	Key Shifts in China's Chemical Industry - What You Need to Know
	William Chen, Senior Consultant, IHS Markit
12:00pm - 12:20pm	Panel Discussion/ Q&A
	Moderator: Paul Pang, VP, Business Development, Chemical, IHS Markit
12:20pm - 12:25pm	Closing Remarks
	Mark Eramo, VP, Global Chemical Business Development, IHS Markit
12:25pm - 1:30pm	Lunch
•	Forum Concludes

LATIN AMERICAN PETROCHEMICAL SUMMIT

8:30am - 8:40am	Welcome Remarks
	Rina Quijada, Senior Director, Business Development Latin America, IHS Markit
8:40am - 8:50am	Networking Exercise
8:50am - 9:10am	Latin America Economic Overview and Industry Structural Changes
	Rina Quijada, Senior Director, Business Development Latin America, IHS Markit
9:10am - 9:35am	Energy Outlook
	Speaker to be announced.
9:35am - 10:00am	USMCA: United States -Mexico - Canada Trade Agreement
	Speaker to be announced.

10:00am - 10:10am	Questions & Answers
10:10am - 10:40am	Networking Break
10:40am - 11:10am	Feedstock Panel
	Speakers to be announced.
11:10am - 11:20am	Feedstock Panel Questions & Answers
11:20am - 11:50am	Sustainability Panel
	Speakers to be announced.
11:50am - 12:00pm	Sustainability Panel Questions & Answers
12:00pm - 12:05pm	Closing Remarks
	Rina Quijada, Senior Director, Business Development Latin America, IHS Markit
12:05pm - 1:35pm	Lunch
1:35pm - 1:35pm	Summit Concludes
