

Brussels, 28 October 2013 > FEFCO awarded 6 Corrugated industry suppliers at its event held in Copenhagen



On Thursday 24th October, during the closing of its Technical Seminar, FEFCO (European Federation of Corrugated Board Manufacturers) announced 6 award winners amongst its members who had presented a spotlight. The Sessions, which were better attended than ever, featured 48 seven minute spotlights in two days, generated a high degree of interest. They gave an overview of the latest technological innovations by suppliers to the corrugated industry.

At Thursday's closing ceremony, the members of FEFCO Production Committee awarded prizes for **Innovation, Most inspired new FEFCO member, Safety, and Best Presentation.**

Marc Van Damme of the VPK packaging Group and Chairman of FEFCO Production Committee since Walter De Smedt (Smurfit Kappa Group) stepped down at the closure of the Seminar, commented the following awards:

- **Best Innovation:**

Gold Award: **Chimigraf** in a joint collaboration with the companies Barberán and Serra for its "Digital printing for corrugated cardboard sheets" and outlined in a spotlight by Eladio Lerga. The award was presented to Cleo Vargas (Chimigraf - digital printing ink), Dennis Van Ijzerloo (Barberán – digital printer) and Ramon Serra (Serra -automatic feeder and stacker). The jury was delighted to see an innovation for digital printing for advanced and high volume driven corrugating plants.

Silver Award: **OM Partners**, for its "Cost-optimal Transport Planning, integrated with Production Scheduling" presented by Jan Geuens. The presentation convinced the jury that this innovation can bring real added value and improve the perception of competency of our industry by the customers.

Bronze Award: **Bahmüller Maschinenbau**, for its "Boxflow®Solutions" presented by Ulrich G. Wolz. The Production Committee acknowledged the work done in the field of folding gluing and welcomed new efficient solutions for bundling.

- **Best Presentation:** the winner was Marcus Haupt from Göpfert company with his presentation "Ready to rig the roll?"
- **Safety:** Anmmeraal Beltech, "Safe walk – with modular belts" won the special Safety award for its development which will improve safety in corrugating plants.
- **Most Inspired new FEFCO member:** Valco Melton won the award for their Clear Vision quality control system, which will contribute to the industry's aim to deliver zero defect boxes.

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Note to the editors

FEFCO (European Federation of Corrugated Board Manufacturers) was established in 1952 and represents the interests of the European Corrugated Board Manufacturers. Headquartered in Brussels, FEFCO has 24 active members, all European national corrugated packaging organisations. The role of the Federation is to investigate economic, financial, technical and marketing issues of interest to the corrugated packaging Industry, to analyse all factors which may influence the industry, and to promote and develop its image.