

The Gas World with all Eyes on Nice

Like no other before it, the 21st World Gas Congress was marked by the idea of change, which was due in particular to the deregulation and liberalization of the energy markets in Europe. Backed by the slogan "Your changes are our challenges", the ELSTER-AMCO Group presented a number of complete solutions for a variety of requirements.

The group's product range stretches from the "simple" gas meter or regulator in their varying country-specific versions, to measuring systems for small and large volumes of gas, to highly sophisticated metering and regulating stations and automatic data collection and remote readout systems.

The product range is complemented by our services – from the installation and start-up of devices to the selection and planning of the systems we offer and even the management and administration of an energy supplier's entire meter park, all of which is not necessarily limited to gas meters.

This year, PLE (Pipeline Engineering GmbH), an affiliated company in the Ruhrgas Industries Group, shared a stand with ELSTER-AMCO. PLE is one of the world's leading companies in the field of pipeline transmission with a focus on project development and management, studies, consulting, design, operation and maintenance of complete systems. Together, we provided our visitors with the highest level of information and know-how in this field.

One of the topics which dominated the congress was consumption data: where do we get the data from, what is the safest and most cost-effective way of transferring the data, how do I find a supplier to make the data available to me? We were in a position to present the Automatic Meter Reading systems TRACE (from American Meter) and EuroTRACE (from Elster) along with the chipcard meter BK-G2.5, the encoder totalizer, whose meter readings can be read out by the flow computer GAS-NET or the EK260 volume corrector and finally the meter park management model. This of course provided the basis for a series of fruitful and lively discussions.



The 21st World Gas Congress from 6th to 9th June, 2000



We would like to thank all of the people who came along to the ELSTER-AMCO stand. The number and variety of visitors was proof to us that we are certainly on the right track. We hope to see you all again at the 22nd World Gas Congress in Japan in the year 2003.

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