

## **Atlas Copco Philippines shares best practices with Iron and Steel industry**

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*Atlas Copco Philippines shares best practices with Iron and Steel industry in South East Asia Iron & Steel Institute (SEASI) 2009 Traveling Seminar*

South East Asia Iron & Steel Institute (SEASI), in cooperation with Philippine Iron & Steel Institute (PISI), held the SEASI 2009 Traveling Seminar last March 20, 2009, at the Discovery Suites, ADB Ave., Ortigas Center, Pasig City. The seminar's topic was "Controlling and Improving Yield in Steel Making and Rolling Operation."

Atlas Copco (Philippines) Inc. was given the privilege to be one of the 6 international organizations tapped to share their best know methods and practices. Eric Alfonso, Atlas Copco Philippines' Industrial Air Business Line Manager, shared his technical knowledge on "Energy Conservation in Compressed Air Systems" to the participants of the SEASI Seminar. The other speakers were from Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and Indonesia.

### Vital parts

Compressed Air Systems are vital cogs to the steel making and rolling process, where compressed air systems consume more than 40% of the factories' energy requirements. Having an inefficient system would definitely pull profits down. System inefficiency may be caused by incorrect air compressor, dryer, and tank sizing, faulty system designs, or others.

To help industry players address these inefficiencies, Eric Alfonso gave an overview of what should and not be done to maximize air compressors. He said, "Not only will this info help make and keep your systems more efficient; more importantly, this would help bring your costs down, helping you cut expenses and save more. Especially in times like these, every peso counts."

Ms. Luz Dela Cuesta of PISI Secretariat was thankful of the knowledge Eric imparted, saying, "These annual Traveling Seminars aim to improve the skill and technologies of steel production personnel, to minimize production cost, and to introduce new technologies for the steel industry in the region. This is where we are grateful for companies like Atlas Copco, who share their knowledge and expertise to help industry players."

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