



**International Conference on
GALVANIZING – TECHNOLOGY, MARKETS & ENVIRONMENT
11 & 12 May 2026, Hotel Babylon Inn, Raipur**

**TECHNICAL PROGRAMME
(Tentative)**

11 May 2026, Monday

08.30 hrs - **Registration / Kit Collection**

10.00 hrs - **Inaugural Session**

Welcoming & Opening Remarks:

by L Pugazhenthly, Executive Director, ILZDA

Special Addresses:

1. Joao Jorge, Director of Market Research & Statistics
International Lead & Zinc Study Group (ILZSG)
2. Ken D'Souza,
International Zinc Association (IZA)
3. Dr Dilip Boralkar, ex Member Secretary, MPCB

Address by Guest of Honour:

Mr Kumaradevan Srinivasan, Chairman, IGA
President (Mfg), Kalpataru Projects International Ltd

Presentation of **"ILZDA Distinguished Services Award"**

Response by the Awardee

Vote of Thanks

National Anthem

10.40 – 11.00 hrs **Coffee/Tea Break**

11.00 – 13.00 hrs **KEYNOTE SESSION : Global Outlook**

Global Zinc Markets in 2026 – CHR's Perspectives

by Huw Roberts, Director, CHR Metals Ltd (UK)

The Chinese Zinc Market With a Special Focus on Galvanizing

by Ms Claire Hassall, Director, CHR Metals Ltd (UK)



Review of the Current Zinc Market Situation and Outlook for 2026

by Joao Jorge, ILZSG (Portugal)

Old Traditions versus New Innovations in Products & Applications of Hot Dip Galvanizing

by Martin Van Leewan, Director Technology & Market Development
International Zinc Association (Virtual)

Galvanizing Industry in Europe & Intergalva 2027 Malaga

by Murray Cook, EGGA (Virtual)

Q & A

13.00 – 14.00 hrs

Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.45 hrs

TECHNICAL SESSION – 1: Continuous Galvanizing

Continuous Sheet Galvanizing of ZnAlMg Coated Steels: Product Characteristics & Applications

by Kenneth M de Souza, Technical Consultant (Galvg & Prepaint), IZA

Decarbonising the Steel Coating Industry – Roadmap to Net Zero

by Praveen Kumar Mabian, AVP - Coated Operations,
JSW Steel Coated Products Ltd

Confirmation Awaited

by Tata Steel

Introducing Jet Vapor Deposition (JVD): A Breakthrough Technology in Galvanizing Industry

by Dr Mithaleshwar Yadav, Vice President, Head of Sales
John Cockerill India Limited

15.45 – 16.00 hrs

Coffee/Tea Break

16.00 – 18.30 hrs

TECHNICAL SESSION – 2: Galvanizing Technology & Markets

Markets for General Galvanizing in India - An Overview

by L Pugazhenthay, ILZDA

India's Infrastructure Investments To Push Galvanizing Demand

by Sachin Shetty, CEO, Quesrow Research & Strategy Co

Manufacturing Excellence To Marketing Expertise - Missing Link

by M. R. Rathina Paul, Sales Conversion Coach, Paul International

Expensive Galvanizing Pot-Simple Tips for Extending Life & Productivity

by Dr Shantanu Chakrabarty, ex Tata Steel Ltd

Energy Efficient Melting & Heating Systems for Galvanizing Industry

by Shashank Shekhar, Regional Manager – Sales & Services,
Pioneer Furnaces Pvt Ltd

Ensuring Quality & Productivity in General Galvanizing

- **My Experiences**, by Ketan Nirmal, Asst Vice President (Operations)
Kalpataru Projects International Ltd

Stress-Induced Pitting Corrosion in Steel Bridges

by Anish Paudel, Director (Tech), Jalap Nepal (P) Ltd (Nepal)

19.00 hrs Gala Dinner

12 May 2026, Tuesday

10.00 – 11.00 hrs **TECHNICAL SESSION – 3: Environment & Recycling**

Environmental Rules & Regulations for the Galvanizing Industry

Dr R N Jindal, Former Director, MoEF&CC

Waste Management in Hot Dip Galvanizing

by Dr Arnab Chattopadhyay, Technical Director, Edumet India

Galvanizing to Fertilizers for Food & Nutrition Security

by Dr Soumitra Das, Director South Asia, International Zinc Association

11.00 – 11.15 hrs **Coffee/Tea Break**

11.15 – 12.15 hrs **TECHNICAL SESSION – 4: Galvanizing Technology**

Continuous Galvanized Rebar – An Update

by Dr Rahul Sharma, Director-India, International Zinc Association

Advancements in Hot Dip Galvanizing Plants

by Varun Bhuta, Director, Step Techno Solutions LLP

Role of Pre-Treatment Process for Effective Galvanizing

by S V Singh, Vice President,
Metals & Chemical Technology India P Ltd (Malaysia)

12.15 – 12.30 hrs **Concluding Remarks**

12.30 – 13.15 hrs **Lunch Break**

13.30 hrs **Plant Visit:**

To M/s Kalpataru Projects International Limited (KPIL)
Coaches leave from Hotel Babylon Inn

14.00 – 16.30 hrs Arrive at KPIL
Welcome by Management
Plant Visit in Groups
Reassemble in Conference Room
High Tea

16.30 hrs Coaches leave for City/Hotel Babylon Inn

