

### **Introduction of Gasification Users Association**

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The Gasification Users Association (GUA) is an organization of users and potential users of gasification technology. Its purpose is to create a network organization to exchange information of a non-confidential nature on the practice and operation of gasification and its associated technologies of air separation, gas cooling and clean-up, gas separation and power generation. The GUA is international organization with members from 12 different countries. The GUA meets two times a year usually in association with gasification or IGCC plant visits in the U.S, Europe and Japan. The annual meeting is usually held in coordination with the annual Gasification Technologies Conference. The annual report includes comparisons of IGCC to other competing power generation technologies such as Ultra Supercritical (USC) Pulverized Coal (PC), Fluidized Bed Combustion (FBC) and natural gas combined cycles (NGCC). The GUA is a users organization. Any industrial organization is eligible to apply for GUA membership provided that it is not currently active in the commercial development and licensing of proprietary gasification technology.