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## **BIR Ferrous Division publishes first-ever statistics on steel scrap markets**

For the first time, the BIR Ferrous Division publishes data on worldwide steel recycling, providing a novel statistical overview for steel scrap, an increasingly important commodity.

The survey with the title "Steel Scrap – A Raw Material for Steelmaking" was carried out by former divisional General Delegate Rolf Willeke and is based on a calculation model developed in cooperation with the German steel association Wirtschaftsvereinigung Stahl. It gives a very accurate reflexion of a market that so far was mainly characterised by approximate estimates rather than reliable figures.

Ferrous Division President Christian Rubach comments: “This initiative is in line with BIR’s policy to increasingly focus on providing statistical overviews for all its commodities, and the Ferrous Division takes pride in being the first to actually achieve this ambitious objective.”

The data will be updated electronically every six months and a new edition of the booklet is planned once a year, after each BIR Spring Convention.

Hard copies of the brochure are available upon request at the BIR Brussels Secretariat.

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