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Bureau of International Recycling

BIR is the international trade association of the recycling industries. More than 50 countries are represented through their national trade associations and individual companies which are involved in recycling. BIR comprises four commodity divisions: iron and steel, non ferrous metals, paper and textiles, and has committees dealing with stainless steel and special alloys, plastics and rubber. BIR's primary goals are to promote recycling and recyclability, thereby conserving natural resources, protecting the environment and facilitating free trade of secondary raw materials.

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Ferrous Round-Table at BIR's London Convention: Guest speaker to link steel and scrap trends

Entitled '**Global Ferrous Scrap Trade and Future Prospects**', the guest presentation scheduled for the BIR Ferrous Round-Table in London on Friday 29th October will be built around the very latest information available to the London-based **Iron and Steel Statistics Bureau**.

The organisation's **Director of Operations Steve Mackrell** will provide facts and figures designed to bring delegates up to speed with latest trends in world steel production and the impact of this on ferrous scrap supply. His statistical analysis will focus on current and future steelmaking activities around the world, paying particular attention to the top EAF producing countries. Future steel demand and prices will be assessed.

Ferrous scrap supply and consumption, the development of international trade in scrap and recent price movements will also be examined by the guest speaker.

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Steve Mackrell has been involved in the steel industry for 30 years and is Executive Director of the London-based Iron and Steel Statistics Board, the UK's principal source of steel-related trade data. His background in collecting, comparing and analysing steel statistics gives him a unique insight into the industry. A regular speaker in the UK and overseas, he also contributes articles on matters of interest to the steel industry.

His organisation, the **Iron and Steel Statistics Bureau**, offers a wide range of publications and reports covering UK, European and global trade in steel and raw materials. The company maintains a comprehensive database of international trade in steel and steelmaking products. Clients include: companies within the steel industry; the supplier and consumer sectors; consultancies; financial and investment enterprises; the European Commission, Eurofer; and the UK government.

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