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Editorial Note

The Symposium on Ammonia Energy (SoAE), initiated in 2022, has aimed to bring together researchers, technologists and developers interested in the subject of Ammonia Energy. Since its establishment, the symposium has been conceived to foster collaboration by minimizing political barriers, geographical restrictions, and economic backgrounds, hence serving as a truly open platform to progress the subject of ammonia energy. By honest exchange of ideas, joint search of knowledge to understand complex phenomena, and open access to unique science and technology capable of making ammonia a critical chemical for future use and applications, SoAE seeks to establish a strong academic and technologist voice to make ammonia a global net zero alternative.

It was exciting to receive colleagues, researchers and students from all corners of the globe at Cardiff, UK, in 2022. More exciting was to see that the number of submissions, topics and interest on the symposium grew during its 2nd edition, organized and delivered excellently by our colleagues at Orleans, France. In 2024, it was the time for our partners in Asia to shine and show how the interest in ammonia has reached a critical mass for its production, storage, distribution and use as a green energy compound. Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU), with its magnificent expertise and unique infrastructure, hosted the 3rd Symposium on Ammonia Energy from the 23rd to the 27th of September 2024. It has been a great pleasure to work behind the scenes to fully support the great efforts that STJU has taken to bring together academics, researchers, students and industrial partners to what seems to be the biggest of our events so far.

With more than 23 countries represented by almost 330 state-of-the-art research presentations and posters spread across 11 subjects and 7 parallel sessions, a unique "academia plus industry" workshop, 7 high level plenary speakers, and over 520 attendees, the event demonstrated how the interest on ammonia energy is growing at an accelerated pace, especially in the Far-East. All abstracts were evaluated by our scientific committee composed of 64 renowned scientists currently working on ammonia energy subjects. The awardees of the Best Papers on each subject were invited to submit a full paper to the *Journal of Ammonia Energy*, not only to compete for the Best Paper Award of the 2024 Symposium, but also to show our readers the magnificence of their research around the use, storage and distribution of such a chemical.

We anticipate that this issue will be unique, as much as the previous, with an additional "taste" of intrigue to know who delivered the Best Paper of the 3rd Symposium on Ammonia Energy, award that will be presented during the 4th SoAE in Minnesota, U.S.A.

Sincerely yours, Prof. Agustin Valera-Medina Editor in Chief

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