ANGVA 2015 was held at the Chengdu Century City New International Convention and Exhibition Center, Chengdu, China. It was jointly hosted by China Automotive Technology & Research Center (CATARC), China Industrial Gases Industry Association (CIGIA) and Asia Pacific Natural Gas Vehicles Association (ANGVA), and supported by Chengdu Municipal Commission of Economy and Information Technology, Transport Committee of Chengdu, and Chengdu Municipal Bureau of Exposition. The Organizers were Beijing CATARC Science & Technology Center and AIT Events Co., Ltd. ANGVA 2015 was held over three days of exhibition and conference, from 4th to 6th November 2015, with a technical visit to a CNG and LNG bus refueling facilities on 3rd November 2015. Besides these, ANGVA also held its 30th Board Meeting on 3rd November 2015 and its 6th Biennial General Meeting (6BGM) on 5th November 2015. The 6BGM saw the election of new board members for ANGVA for the term of 2016-2017.

A total of 196 exhibitors (161 locals and 35 overseas) from 20 countries participated in ANGVA 2015 taking up exhibition space of 22,800m2. More than 5,000 visitors (over 300 overseas visitors) visited the exhibition. A total of 481 delegates (103 from overseas) from 25 countries attended the conference featuring 40 speakers (20 overseas) from 15 countries. Despite challenging time due to drastic drop in oil prices, slow down in world economic growth (including China), and worldwide focusing attention on hybrids and electric vehicles, ANGVA 2015, Chengdu, China, was reasonably successful with participations of key NGV exhibitors, delegates, speakers, panelists and visitors from China and overseas countries such as Italy, Germany, Finland, Mozambique, India, Iran, Thailand, Indonesia, Australia, etc.

At the Opening Ceremony, 4th November 2015

The opening of ANGVA 2015 was officiated by the President of CATARC, Mr. Zhao Hang; Deputy Mayor of Chengdu, Dr. Fu Yonglin; Division Chief of Department of Industry Coordination, National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), Mr. Wu Wei; President of China Industrial Gases Industry Association, Mr. Du Jun; Deputy Secretary General of the Society of Automotive Engineering of China, Mr. Ge Songlin; and Secretary/Executive Director of ANGVA, Lee Giok Seng.
At the Exhibition, 4th – 6th November 2015
The exhibition showcased latest equipment, products and technologies related to CNG and LNG for the transport sector by both local and overseas exhibitors. These include CNG and LNG vehicles, CNG and LNG refueling equipment and systems, CNG cylinders, LNG tanks, valves, etc.

At the Welcome Dinner, 4th November 2015
CATARC hosted the Welcome Dinner at the Shunxing Old Tea House featuring Traditional Chinese Art and Culture Performance.
At the Conference, 4th – 6th November 2015
Speakers and panelists from local and overseas presented their papers and had discussions with delegates during the questions and answers sessions. Papers were presented in English and Mandarin (Chinese). Real time translations were provided via headphones from English to Mandarin and vice versa.

At the Technical Site Visit, 3rd November 2015
In the afternoon of 3rd November 2015, a technical visit was made to a CNG and LNG refueling facilities (located side by side) for the Chengdu City buses. Almost all of Chengdu City buses and taxis run on CNG and LNG (for buses only). For safety monitoring and enforcement, all natural gas vehicles in Chengdu are required to be fitted with RFID system (Radio Frequency Identification System).

CNG refueling facility

Announcement of ANGVA 2017, 6th November 2015
At the end of ANGVA 2015, it was announced that the 7th ANGVA International Biennial Conference and Exhibition, ANGVA 2017, will be held in Tehran, Iran towards the fourth quarter of the year 2017. More information on ANGVA 2017 will be released by ANGVA Secretariat.

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