

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the IFToMM TC for Tribology (TC-Trib)

Tuesday 5 November 2024, 2pm (Italian time, UTC/GMT+1)

Attendance list

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Apologies were received from Mihai ARGHIR, Jose Daniel BIASOLI DE MELLO, Giuseppe CARBONE, Braham PRAKASH, Adrian RIENÄCKER, Satish SHARMA, Andrea VANIA

Agenda

- 1) Future Tribology Conferences and next TC-Trib activities
- 2) TC Yearly Report & Plan
- 3) Affiliation of Tribology Journals
- 4) Any other business

1) Future Tribology Conferences and next TC-Trib activities

Some 2025 tribology conferences, meetings, symposia with involved TC-Trib members are reported below.

25th International Conference on Wear of Materials, 13-17 April 2025, Sitges, Spain

Tribology International Conference 2025, 23-25 April 2025, AlBufeira/Algarve, Portugal

5th African Congress on Tribology, 28-30 April 2025, Tunis in Tunisia

The Modern Materials and Manufacturing (MMM2025) Conference, 6-8 May 2025, Tallinn, Etonia

79th STLE Annual Meeting and Exhibition, 18-22 May 2025, Atlanta, Georgia (USA)

I4SDG (IFTToMM for Sustainable Development Goals) 2025, 9-11 June 2025, Lamezia, Italy: the number of submitted paper or abstract seems to be 3 at the moment, not sufficient to organize a specific Tribology session (at least 4 - 5 presentations); full paper or abstract submission extended to 15/11/2024

ECOTRIB 2025, 28-30 July 2025, Switzerland

50th Leeds-Lyon Symposium on Tribology, 2-4 September 2025, University of Leeds, UK

3rd International Conference on Advanced Mechanics: Structure, Materials, Tribology, September 22-26, 2025, Samarkand State University, Uzbekistan

Some TC members will verify the possibility to organize one or two webinars in 2025.

2) TC Yearly Report & Plan

The report is reviewed and will be sent to IFToMM.

3) Affiliation of Tribology Journals

Some TC members met Dr. Lavinia Buta, Journal Relations Specialist, and Mr. Irwin Liang, Assistant Editor, of MDPI Lubricants end July / beginning of August. In addition to the possible collaborations, the problem that Lubricants can be considered as a predatory journal was discussed.

Several TC-Trib members act as reviewers of Lubricants, some of which are also members of the editorial board and consider the journal of a good level. The negative feeling could be related to the situation of other MDPI journal.

No news from the Advisory Board for Publications regarding with the new rules and the proposal sent by TC-Trib.

Other proposals of affiliation were discussed in the past and will be discussed again in the future when the new rules will be known.

4) Any other business

There are no other matters to be discussed.

The meeting closes at 14.45

Enrico Ciulli