



# Hosting SMiRT 26 in Berlin German/Swiss Proposal



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### **Introduction and Motives**



- The first SMiRT Conference 1971 was initiated and organized by Prof. Thomas Jaeger, director of the BAM (Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing) in Berlin, Germany
- SMiRT 26 in 2021 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of SMiRT conferences held every other year
- SMiRT 26 is a good opportunity to come back to Berlin to celebrate this anniversary as a truly European conference again
- Although it is intended to organize the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Berlin, the planning group already involves experts from Switzerland and Germany (a first contact from French colleagues has been received; after a positive decision for the joint German/Swiss proposal to host SMiRT 26 in Berlin an integration of French colleagues into the organization can and will easily be realized)



### **Introduction and Motives**



- Being the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary it is planned to also put special emphasis on celebratory activities including e. g. retrospective passages during plenary sessions (50 years of ...), a panel with former SMiRT presidents outlining the "next 50 years", and Thomas Jaeger memories
- These celebratory activities will be organized in close cooperation with the IASMiRT 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee
- BAM as the founder of SMiRT strongly supports the return of SMiRT 26 to its roots in Berlin
- Therefore, the German Society of Nondestructive Testing (DGZfP) made this proposal to host SMiRT 26 in Berlin and guarantees the financial solvency of the conference







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# **Conference Organization**



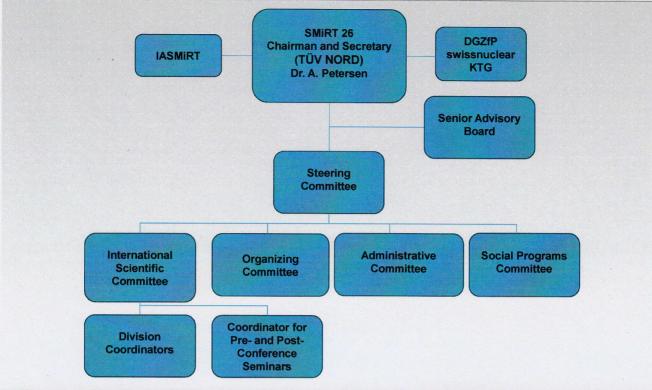
 DGZfP is a not-for-profit organization and the body which coordinates all NDT activities in Germany



- DGZfP has well proven experience in the successful organization of international conferences; the latest to be named is the 2016 World Conference for NDT with 4000 international participants
- As online conference management system a state of the art web site developed and maintained by the DGZfP will be used; it will allow for collecting and handling of abstracts, papers and presentations, review by division coordinators, planning of sessions, search functions, creating electronic proceedings, conference registration, mailings etc.
- TÜV NORD is a worldwide leader in the field of technology services for a wide range of applications; among these TÜV NORD is a full service provider in the field of nuclear safety

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- The International Scientific Committee (ISC) will organize the technical program and will have several Divisions led by Division Coordinators as well as a Coordinator for Pre- and Post-Conference Seminars
- Some members of the German/Swiss steering committee have already been named to the ISC; more colleagues from different countries (e.g. France) will be named after the decision on the 2021 SMiRT venue and the appointment of the Chair of the ISC

# Pre- and Post-Conference-Seminars, Technical Tours, Social Program



- Pre- and Post-Conference-Seminars will be organized
- Switzerland has already confirmed a seminar on the topic "Contribution of deterministic and probabilistic assessments for safety margins and their practical application"
- It is planned for at least one more seminar, preferably in another European country, as for example France
- Technical tours suitable with the theme of SMiRT 26 are being planned
- In the German Capital of Berlin there are ample opportunities for scheduling and arranging social program related activities and tours









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## **Timeline**



August 2019	First Announcement
January 2020	Board Meeting
March 2020	Second Announcement, Call for Papers
July 2020	Last Date for Submitting Abstracts
October/November 2020	International Scientific Committee Planning Session and IASMiRT Board Meeting
November 2020	Notification of Accepted Papers
February 2021	Paper Submission Deadline, 4 week extension possible
April 2021	Third Announcement, Registration Forms
June 2021	Early Registration
August 2021	SMiRT 26 / Pre- and Post-SMiRT 26 Seminars