

# **25<sup>th</sup> International Conference On Structural Mechanics In Reactor Technology**

**SMiRT 25** 

August 4-9, 2019

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# SMiRT-25 - Logo





## **Emerging Areas in US-Canada**

## **New Builds**

**Challenges of Construction Costs and Schedules** 

**Small Modular Reactor Program** 

Nuscale to build first SMR in Idaho and Utah region

TVA has applied for a permit to build an SMR

**Challenges of Decommissioning** 

By 2019 - Increased need for safe and cost-effective strategies

**Second License Renewal** 

First application to be submitted by 2018-19



# **Ongoing Activities**

December 2015	Preliminary Contracts with Venue and Hotel
Spring 2016	Sponsorship Document Prepared
Late Spring 2016	AASMiRT – Silver Sponsorship
Summer 2016	Center CNEFS transformed to joint Civil-Nuclear Engineering
August 2016	Specialty workshop on Severe Accident Management at NC State University.
Winter 2016 - Present	Multiple proposals received for workshops.  Discussions held with JASMiRT and first written proposal received about workshop from them.
Summer 2017	Detailed discussions with SNERDI in China
Fall 2017	Canadian Organizing Committee created
August 2017	First Announcement Printed and SMiRT 25 website goes live.
Fall 2017	Finalized Division Descriptions. Extensive Discussions with Canadian Organizations
Spring 2018	Creation of ISC and IOC almost final
Spring 2018	Second Announcement and Call for Abstracts (March 2018)



# **Canadian Organizing Committee**

Prof. John Luxat	
Andrei Blahoianu	
Neb Orbovic	
Ayman Saudy	



## **Divisions and ISC**

#### **Total of 12 Divisions**

**Division Descriptions** 

ISC Chair - Sujit Samaddar (USNRC, Formerly IAEA)

**Division Coordinators** 

**Abstract Submission** 

**Template for Abstract** 



# International Organizing Committee

John Richards (EPRI)

**Emmanuel Viallet (France)** 

Rita Barnwall (GAIN)

Hori Munio (Japan)

Greg Hardy (SGH)

Nawal Prinja (UK)

Gerry Wilkowski (EMC2)

Juan Carlos/ Dazhu Yang

(IAEA)

Ho Neih (NEA)

Ken Kim (South Korea)

**Canadian Representative** 

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# Proposals for Workshops

### Received multiple requests for "Workshops"

US Utilities – Significant interest in listening to presentations by leaders. Not much motivation to write papers – Second License Renewal and SMRs

Workshops are quite popular at other competing conferences

JASMiRT - Formal Proposal Received. Fukushima Update

IAEA - Discussions in progress

China - Discussion in progress - New Builds

**DOE** - Discussion in progress - Construction and Decommissioning



# **Opportunities for Young Engineers**

Full Time Students and Professionals with UG Degree in 2009 or recent

Annie Kammerer, Lisa Marshall, Justin Coleman

Follow lead of successful past activities

ANS to assist with young engineers

Poster Session for students and recent graduates

**Shibata Award** 

Reduced fee for student registrations

Affordable accommodation in dorms at local universities

Hour with expert



## **Current Plans**

#### **Pre- and Post- Conference**

There is an interest by some individuals but Board will be consulted before making any final decisions.

Potential conflict with conference will be assessed.

Planning Meeting - Proposed for Oct. 24-26, 2018 - NCSU Campus

Potential of a Technical Workshop at Planning Meeting in 2018

**Technical Tours** 

**Nearby Operating Reactors** 

Siemens Turbine Manufacturing Facility

Westinghouse WEC Carolina Energy Solution



## **Important Dates**

#### **Tentative Timeline**

August 2017: First Announcement

February 2018: Second Announcement and Call for Abstracts

August 2018: Deadline for abstract submission

December 2018: Notification of decision on abstract

Jan/Feb 2019: Full paper submission and registration begins

May/June 2019: Deadline for full paper submission



## **Financial Outlook**

## Finances of SMiRT 25 are supported by following major activities

## NCSU-OPD provides the ultimate financial support:

- Absorbs any potential loss.
- Loans money for necessary expenses as needed
- Manages all the finances in accordance with University Policies.
- Collects income and reimburses expenses.

#### **CNEFS:**

- Financial outlook for the next 3 years looks very promising.
- Students provide all the support
- Center's rising visibility increases SMiRT 25 visibility

### Sponsorships:

- University has created sponsorship document/flyer
- AASMiRT is Silver Sponsor
- Many US/Canadian Organizations to join after SMiRT24



## **Registration Fee**

Total of 5 papers per registration

**Fee Structure** 

Very Early Bird - \$900

Early Bird - \$1050

Regular - \$1200

On Site - \$1400

**ASME-PVP** (Praguge, 2018) – Euro 1000 and 1200 on-site

NURETH (China, 2017) - \$850 - \$1100

ANS - International Congress on NPP (Charlotte, 2018) - \$900 - \$1200



# Jaegar Lecture

**Ongoing Discussions with Core Organizing Group** 

One suggestion being considered

**National Academy of Engineers** 

Very widely recognized in Nuclear Energy Profession

Former Leader at USNRC

Leader in ANS and IAEA Activities

Strong history of participation and support for SMiRT



# **NED Special Issue**

## **Co-Editors**

**Andrew Whittaker** 

**Abhinav Gupta** 

Sujit Samaddar (potentially)



# State-of-the-Art Paper

### **Three Proposals Received**

**Construction Issues - Prabir Basu** 

Soil-Structure Interaction – Justin Coleman

Fracture Mechanics - Informal/Verbal Proposal



# Web Tool Online Conference Management

Web Tool has been updated for significant increase in User Friendliness

NCSU OPD considers it as significantly better than commercial tools

Proceedings in state of the art electronic format



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