Training Session for
Track Organizer (TO)/Point Contact (PC)/
Vanguard Chair (VC)

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Review Chairs Track Distributions

Shahrokh Shalpar
  • Aircraft Eng (01)
  • Coal, Biomass, H2, & Alt (03)
  • Fans & Blowers (10)
  • Steam Turbines (21)
  • Struct & Dyn (22-28)

Rudy Dudebout
  • Combustion (04)
  • Cycle Inno (06)
  • Energy Storage (09)
  • Oil & Gas (20)
  • Supercrit CO2 (31)

Andrew Nix
  • Turbomachinery (32-41)

Marc Polanka
  • Ceramics (02)
  • Controls, Diag, Instr (05)
  • Education (07)
  • Electric Power (08)
  • Heat transfer (11-16)
  • Industrial & Cogen (17)
  • MMM (18)
  • Microturbines (19)
  • Wind Energy (42)
Contents

(~15 min) • Roles of the:
  – Track Organizer (TO)
  – Point Contact (PC)
  – Vanguard Chair (VC)
    by Review Chair Team

(~30 min) • Training of the webtool
  by Stacey Cooper*

*Stacey (https://airtable.com/appKe8wyTv3RoG8qS/shrc4rgubaoKlbmFB) is our Web master and is most helpful in answering questions on the webtool.
• This session is primarily for TO/PC/VC only.

• There will be future separate training sessions for
  - Session Organizers (SO)
  - Reviewers (R)

  for both their roles/responsibilities and the use of the new webtool.
Review Chain – Organizing

- Track Organizer/Point Contact/Vanguard Chair organizes all the tracks and abstracts for a committee as well as all the sessions and papers for a track
  - TO/PC/VC accepts or rejects abstracts in the tracks
  - TO/PC/VC assigns abstracts to sessions in the tracks
  - TO/PC/VC assigns session organizers to different sessions in the tracks
- Session organizers organize individual sessions and assign and track reviews
- If a TO/PC/VC is an author or co-author in their track, the decision has to be made by someone else
The review process is evaluating two publication paths: Conference & Journal.

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Possibly in consultation with RCs, PCs, and VCs.

Journal decisions can be appealed to the editors after the conference. Process is posted on the website under Author Resources.
High publication standards - intent of ASME / IGTI to present and publish **high quality** papers

- Review chain and timely review are the keys to maintain paper quality
- Shared responsibility of reviewers and session organizers
- Effective communication and interaction between authors, reviewers and session organizers
- Recommend that papers which are borderline journal quality have a revision requested

- **Timely actions** are important – staying on schedule makes it easier to maintain quality standards and remedy any problems
Review Chain – Examples

Large committee with multiple tracks

Heat Transfer Technical Committee
Chair: John Blanton
Vice Chair: Marc Polanka

Track 10: Heat Transfer: Conjugate Heat Transfer
Track Organizer: Bijay Sultanian
Vanguard Chair: Tom Shih

Session 10-1: Conjugate Heat Transfer I
Session Organizer: GD Lock
Session Co-organizer: Todd Ebert

Small committee with one track

Education Technical Committee
Chair: Sabri Deniz
Vice Chair: Devin O’Dowd

Track 7: Education
Track Organizer: Devin O’Dowd

Session 7-1: Education Issues
Session Organizer: Devin O’Dowd
Session Co-organizer: Sabri Deniz

All roles have to be filled: Track Organizer/Point Contact/Vanguard Chair, Session Organizer (helps the process and communication)
One person can fill multiple roles
# Schedule

## Important Dates

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Notes on Schedule

• Process has many steps that must be done in series

• If you are late or incomplete to a deadline, it puts untenable pressure on the downstream steps

• Deadlines are completion dates, not start dates => Start early!

• TO/VC/PC and SO all need to check, monitor, support, and push along progress and quality throughout their span of responsibilities
  - Send reminders to SOs start tasks and meet deadlines
  - Check status and address problems regularly

• Early reviewer lined-up is crucial and key to a successful and timely review process! Check review status of your sessions regularly!

• RCs cannot manage 1000-1500 papers and 3000-4500 reviewers without your help!
Abstract submissions deadline was 27 Oct (Fri).

You must have:

1. All your abstracts accepted by
   **Nov 24 (Fri), 2024**

2. Sessions organized by
   **Dec 1 (Fri), 2024**

Assign SO early!
Draft paper submission deadline is

Jan 5 (Fri), 2024

You need to have a commitment of SO (Chair & Co-Chair) soon so that they can start looking for reviewers!
Webtool

Stacey Cooper
What is different?

- There is **one log-in for all roles**. Therefore, if you have multiple roles, you will see all information and need to sort.

- “**Track Organizer**” is **Point Contact, Vanguard Chair, or Committee Chair** – person who accepts abstracts and allocates abstracts to sessions

- When TO accepts or rejects an abstract, **the author will not get an email discussion notification until the deadline of November 18**, when a bulk email is sent out.

- The submission ID is the paper number.
Overview of webtool organization - TO

My Submissions
- Authors

My Reviewing Assignments
- TO – accept/reject abstracts
- Reviewer – review draft papers
- Review chair – final decision

Reviewer Team Manager Panel
- Review chairs and conference organizers – see all sessions, organizers, abstracts/papers, status

My Sessions
- TO – create sessions and assign papers to sessions
- TO – assign session organizer, change title, description
- SO – add co-chair, change title, description
- SO or TO – reorder papers, remove papers, add to other sessions

Organizer Tools
- All organizers - paper review area
- All organizers – can export excel file showing all papers
- SO – assign reviewers, view reviews, make “decision”
The co-author requirement is automatically enforced in 2024.

• Authors have 7 days after abstract submission to complete this task.

• Reminder notice is sent after 3 days.

• Submission is automatically removed if requirement has not been completed. Authors receive removal notification email.

• Will need to contact staff for possible reinstatement.
TO – How to accept abstracts

- Go to **My Reviewing Assignments** on main menu.
- Click on Open on the line for Technical Paper Publications.
- A list of all abstracts will appear.
- For each abstract, click on View Submission.
- You do not need to review the abstract if another organizer has already completed the review.
- To view the abstract, scroll down.
- Take action as appropriate, accept or reject, comments are optional.
- Click Submit and Back to List or Submit and Go to Next.
If an abstract is best suited for another track, you can request that the abstract be re-assigned by using the link below.

https://airtable.com/shrAcnwN2wMEzFZL8
(please bookmark this link)

This form will allow staff to keep better track of these requests and respond more quickly.

Requests sent via email will be referred to the above link.
Each track will be provided with a link to download a submission/review status report. This report will provide you with the most up to date information for your track.

In addition, go to **My Reviewing Assignments** from the main menu.

Two reports are available to download.

The two reports are similar, recommend the second option. Contents:

- Paper number, title, category, track, text of the abstract
- Information on the lead author and presenting authors, as well as 19 additional authors – includes institutions, which you can use to avoid conflicts with session organizers
- Status of abstract, accepted or rejected
- This could be a useful file to use as a working file as you figure out which papers go in which sessions.
TO – How to create sessions

If you have a big track, consider organizing papers and sessions offline in an excel file first.

1. Enter the link below into your browser
   https://asme-turboexpo.secure-platform.com/a/organizations/main/solicitations/223/sessions/create

2. Enter the session number and title
   a. Please use the correct session numbering format, i.e. 01-02 Descriptive Title
      i. 01 = Track Number
      ii. 02 = Session Number

3. Add an optional description

4. Select the Session Type
   a. Technical Session

5. Click on “Save and Set Agenda”
TO – How to create sessions

1. Select the paper from the list.
   a. This list will display all submissions for the conference. Please wait for list to load in order to see the track name.
   b. You can also reference the attached spreadsheet for your paper numbers. (sent to each track separately)

2. Select the Organizers tab and add your session chairs. You do not need to add other track chairs. You and your track co-chairs will be provided overview access.

3. Repeat steps on slides 19 and 20 to create more sessions.
For Help

- For any problems, submit a help desk request at https://airtable.com/appKe8wyTv3RoG8qS/shrc4rgubaoKlbmFB
- This will go to Stacey Cooper and her team.
- Join us for our twice-weekly help center calls

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