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The long-standing co-operation between AIM - Associazione Italiana di Metallurgia - and the IFHTSE - International Federation for Heat Treatment and Surface Engineering - has already led to the joint organisation of significant events, such as the Congresses held in Florence in 1982 and in 1998.

Now, the joint resources of AIM and IFHTSE with the collaboration of the European Powder Metallurgy Association (EPMA), will be focused on the organisation of a conference that will deal with innovation in heat treatment, with special reference to automotive applications.

In 2003, IFHTSE, in collaboration with MTEC (National Metal and Materials technology Center in Bangkok - Thailand) held a very successful conference on this topic, addressed primarily to Asia-Pacific interests. Against the background of an intensely competitive and continuously evolving market, it is now opportune to organise an event more specifically addressed to the European scene.

Therefore, in June 2005, in Riva del Garda (Italy), we will gather together contract heat treaters (not only of components but also of metal and plastic dies, punches, tools and auxiliary materials), engineering component manufacturers, producers of components with captive heat treatment facilities and Tier 1 and 2 suppliers along with production and design staff from the automotive world (passenger cars, trucks and buses, motorcycle, off-road vehicles, construction machines and earthmovers) for an information exchange and update on innovations, trends and developments in the field.
OPENING CEREMONY

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Welcome addresses by:
Ottavio Lecis, President of AIM
Bozidar Liscic, President of IFHTSE
Gianfranco Pedri, President of Associazione Industriali di Trento
Paolo Luca Antona, Conference Chairman
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Presentation of the Titanium Medal to Dr. Paolo Luca Antona

The TITANIUM MEDAL was established in 2002 by AIM as a sign of recognition to a distinguished engineer or scholar who obtained particular merits in the field of the utilisation and application of metallic materials.

10.15
Inauguration of exhibition area, followed by coffee break

OPENING SESSION

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Emerging technology in heat treatment and surface engineering of automotive components
K. Funatani · IMST Inst., Nagoya, Japan

The flexible heat treatment of automotive components in a novel type of pusher furnace
B. Edenhofer, H.P. Lankes · Ipsen International GmbH, Kleve, Germany
H. Burgmaier, A. Kurz · Schwäbische Härtetechnik Ulm GmbH, Ulm, Germany

Low temperature gaseous surface hardening of stainless steel; science and technology
T. Christiansen, M.A.J. Somers · The Technical University of Denmark, Lyngby

Vegetable oil based quenchant compositions: a review of fluid chemistry and quenching results
L.C.F. Canale · Universidade de Sao Paulo, Brasil
G.E. Totten · Portland State University, USA
Possibilities and limitations of the low pressure carburizing and the high pressure gas quenching process
A. Åström · Linde Gas, Unterschleissheim, Germany

Flexible vacuum carburizing and gas quenching for automotive application
B.W. Nowacka, P. Kula, R. Pietrasik, D. Siniarski, M. Korecki, A. Adamek · SECO/WARWICK Ltd., Swiebodzin, Poland

The influence of part position in fluidized bed over carburizing process
E. Drugescu, S. Dobrovici, N. Cazacu, F. Potecașu, O. Potecașu, A. Bâclea · Dunarea de Jos University, Galati, Romania

Influence of oxidation and content of hydrogen in endothermic atmosphere on the depth of saturation layer and strength of carbonitrided steel
A. Tikhonov · JSC Avtovaz, Togliatti, Russia

Influence of the microstructure modification on the surface layer of X37CrMoV5-1 steel after carbonitriding process
J. Jasiński, L. Jeziorski, D. Duda, R. Torbus · Politechnika Czestochowska, Poland

A study of the application of anti-carburizing refractory fibre in the non-muffle (pot) carburizing furnace and its performance
Y. Ma · Sanmenxia Scientific and Technological Society, Henan province, P.R. China

Shape and size distortion study of EN353 material. An experimental investigation in gas carburizing process
K. Palaniradja, N. Alagumurthi, V. Soundararajan · Pondicherry Engineering College, India

The effect of retained austenite on distortion of carburized SAE 8620 steel
L. He, D.O. Northwood · University of Windsor, Canada

Assessment in the cementation process by the ultrasonic waves
B. Moulti, N. Tala Ighil, R. Halimi · Laboratoire de Caractérisation et d’Instrumentation, Cheraga Alger, Algeria
Influence of the heat treatment on the toughness of some hot-work tool steel grades
H. Jesperson · Uddeholm Tooling AB, Hagfors, Sweden

Response of induction massive quenching for different structure conditions of the raw material
G. Silva, B. Rivolta, A. Silvestri · Politecnico di Milano, Polo Regionale di Lecco, Italy
M. Cusolito, M. Valsecchi · Rodacciai spa, Bosisio Parini, Italy

Heat treatment and failure risk of large automotive plastic molds: a fracture mechanics approach and property assessment
D. Firrao, P. Matteis, G. Scavino, G. Ubertalli · Politecnico di Torino, Italy
M.G. Ienco, A. Parodi, P. Piccardo, M.R. Pinasco, E. Stagno · Università di Genova, Italy
R. Gerosa, B. Rivolta, G. Silva · Politecnico di Milano, Italy
A. Ghidini · LucchiniSidermeccanica spa, Brescia, Italy

Wear, base tooth fatigue, pitting tests on nitrided steels 25MnSiCrVB6/L (METASCO) and 23MnCrMo5 - modification 1 - (JOMASCO). Dimensional reliability, manufacturing savings and automotive field applications
P. Dierrickx, D. Robat · ASCOMETAL CREAS, Italy
M. Caprioglio · Colmegna spa, Siziano, Italy

Heat treatments of metallic wires for cold forming
M. Frigerio, T. Roda · Trafilerie San Paolo, Arcellasco d’Erba, Italy
R. Gerosa, B. Rivolta, G. Silva · Politecnico di Milano, Polo Regionale di Lecco, Italy

Development of tribology testing methodologies for ring gears and comparative tests on 18NiCrMo5 steel after deep nitriding and casehardening
P. Folgarait, F. Casadei · Centro Sviluppo Materiali, Roma, Italy
M. Caprioglio, A. Mancuso · Colmegna spa, Siziano, Italy
A. Poli · TenarisDalmine, Dalmine, Italy

Solidification and heat treatment effects on the mechanical properties of an aluminium automotive alloy
R. Torres · Universidad Autónoma de Coahuila, Coah, Mexico
J. Esparza, R. Colás · Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León, San Nicolás de los Garza, Mexico
E. Velasco, S. García Luna · Nemak, García, Mexico

Experimental analysis of thermal distortion in thermo chemical treatment
K. Palaniradja, N. Alagumurthi, V. Soundararajan · Pondicherry Engineering College, India

Toughness and corrosion resistance of X39CrMo17-1 UNI EN 10088 steel. Choice of quenching parameters
A. Bavaro, A. Bavaro · Laboratorio Prove Bavaro srl, Caravaggio, Italy
F. Palladini · Vacuum spa, Trezzano S.N., Italy
The wear characteristics of electroless Ni-P-PTFE composite coatings
M. Haratian, M.M. Vaghefi, A. Saatchi · Isfahan University of Technology, Iran

Effect of heat treatment on anodization and electrochemical behavior of AZ91D magnesium alloy
H-Y. Hsiao, W-T. Tsai · National Cheng Kung University, Tainan, Taiwan

PECVD coatings for magnesium casting protection
E. Angelini, S. Grassini · Politecnico di Torino, Italy
S. Plano, E. Micucci · Centro Ricerche Fiat, Orbassano, Italy
F. Fracassi, F. Palumbo · Università di Bari, Italy

Fatigue properties of a Ck45 steel coated with a post heat treated Ni-Cu-P electroless deposit
S. Yazdani, T. Saeid · Sahand University of Technology, Tabriz, Iran

Structure and properties of composite layers on titanium alloys
T. Wierzchon, M. Ossowski · Warsaw University of Technology, Poland
T. Moskalewicz, A. Czyrska-Filemonowicz · AGH University of Science and Technology, Cracow, Poland

Corrosion resistance of Cr (III) based conversion layer on zinc coatings in comparison with a traditional Cr (VI) based passivation treatment
E. Angelini, F. Rosalbino · Politecnico di Torino, Italy
L. Grasso · ILVA spa, Genova, Italy
M.G. Ienco, A. Parodi, M.R. Pinasco · Università di Genova, Italy

Improvement of fatigue life of AISI/D3 tool steel by various surface treatments
G.H. Farrahi, H. Ghadbeigy · Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran

Surface hardening of Al7075 alloy by diffusion treatments of electrolytic Ni coatings
K. Brunelli, M. Dabalà · Università di Padova, Italy

Characterization of mechanical properties of zinc coatings on high strength steels
G.M. Song, W.G. Sloof · Delft University of Technology, The Netherlands
T. Vystavel, Y.T. Pei, J.Th.M. De Hosson · University of Groningen, The Netherlands
ITALIAN SESSION

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Actual situation of Italian heat treatments standardition
A. Bavaro · 18th S.C. Heat Treatments President – Unsider, Italy
V. Vergani · Unsider (ente federato UNI), Milano, Italy

Automated heat treatment optimization on special bolts for automotive applications
E. Costa · Cermet, Cadriano di Granarolo, Italy
V. Francia · P.W.F. Technics, Bologna, Italy
G. Pasello · Pasello Trattamenti Termici, Calderara di Reno, Italy

Low temperature gas nitriding treatments
A. Mancuso · Colmegna spa, Siziano, Italy
M. Boniardi, F. D’Errico · Politecnico di Milano, Italy

Vacuum heat treatment of components for automotive application
L. Girardini, A. Molinari · Università di Trento, Italy
G. Locatelli, G. Tonini · TAV High Vacuum Technologies, Caravaggio, Italy

On the behaviour of decarburized layers in nitriding of steel
I. Calliari, M. Zanesco, E. Ramous · Università di Padova, Italy
E. Gianotti · Ferioli & Gianotti Trattamenti Termici, Rivoli, Italy

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Influence of PVD coating on the damage mechanism of carburized gears
G.M. La Vecchia · Università di Brescia, Italy
N. Lecis · Politecnico di Milano, Italy
S. Troglio · Vacuum Surtec, S. Polo di Torrile, Italy

Modern gas carburizing technology for the automotive industry
H. Altena, F. Schrank · Aichelin Ges.m.b.H., Mödling, Austria
E. Carutti · Ing. C.A. Carutti, Milano, Italy

X-ray diffraction applications for automotive industries
A. Torboli, P. Morelli · GNR Analytical Instruments, Castelletto Ticino, Italy
G.P. Marconi · 2Effo Engineering
TAVOLA ROTONDA / ROUND TABLE

Moderatore: Elio Gianotti · Ferioli & Gianotti, Italia

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I punti di vista di:

Costi di produzione dei forni continui e recuperi energetici
Umberto Mancin · FIBEX srl, Treviso

Combustione senza fiamma: una sfida per nuove tecnologie di processo
Alessandro Lazzaretto · Attas, Caselette
Volker Burkhardt, Joachen Georg Wünning, Ambrogio Milani · WS GmbH, Renningen, Germany

Quale ricerca per l’innovazione industriale
Emilio Ramous · Università di Padova

Dibattito aperto al pubblico
Presentation of an industrial method for the simulation of the heat treatment of complex shaped three-dimensional parts
F. Boitout, D. Dry, Y. Gooroochurn, P. Mourgue, H. Porzner · ESI GmbH, Munich, Germany

Development and view of heat treatment simulation
K. Taniguchi · Jatco Ltd., Shizuoka, Japan

Modelling material properties leading to distortion prediction during heat treatment of steels for automotive applications
Z. Guo, J.-Ph. Schillé · Sente Software Ltd., Guildford, United Kingdom
N. Saunders, A.P. Miodownik · Thermotech Ltd., Guildford, United Kingdom

Calculation of mechanical stresses in protective coatings with arming base and strengthening fillers
M.Yu. Volokobinskii, A.S. Sotenko, A.S. Yastrebov · State University of Telecommunications, Saint Petersburg, Russia

The theory and calculation of thermal fields, mechanical and thermal elastic stresses in the surface layers of metals after strengthening influences
A.S. Yastrebov, M.Yu. Volokobinskii · State University of Telecommunications, Saint Petersburg, Russia

Optimization and control of gas quenching process through numerical simulation
F. Chaffotte, G. Pellegrino · Air Liquide Research Center, Jouy-en-Josas, France

Heat state simulation of metal-polymer composite materials under the effect of electric current
V.A. Kovtun, T.V. Semenova, Y.M. Pleskachevsky · Belarusian Academy of Sciences, Gomel, Russia

Prediction of phase transformation using neural networks
B. Smoljan, S.S. Hanza · University of Rijeka, Croatia
T. Filetin · University of Zagreb, Croatia

Method for development of new steel grades
E. Tragl, J. Strutzenberger, G. Angeli, A. Pichler · Voestalpine Stahl GmbH, Linz, Austria
H. Haunschmid · Voestalpine Mechatronic GmbH, Linz, Austria
New approach for optimization of the quenching processes
N.I. Kobasko · Intensive Technologies Ltd., Kyiv, Ukraine

Quenching in molten salts on a multipurpose bell furnace line
A. Branchi · I.LE.S., Pianengo, Italy
G. Fueg · Codere SA, Porrentruy, Switzerland

Helium for gas quenching in vacuum furnaces
P. Stratton · BOC, Huddersfield, United Kingdom

Quenching distortion of Al-7Si-0.3Mg castings - reduction by gas cooling
O. Kessler, A. Rose, F. Hoffmann, H.-W. Zoch · Stiftung Institut für Werkstofftechnik, Bremen, Germany

Evaluation of a hot quenching oil with the objectives to replace quenching salt, using standard equipment and with a limited effect on the environment
G. Rizzuto · Baraldi Lubrificanti, Castel S. Pietro, Italy

Evaluation and impact of oxidative stability on the quenching performance of castor oil and soybean oil
L.C.F. Canale, A.C. Canale, M.R. Fernandes, S.C.M. Agustinho · Universidade de São Paulo, Brasil
G.S. Sarmiento · KB Engineering srl, Buenos Aires, Argentina
G.E. Totten · Portland State University, USA

Oil care in heat treatment plants
C. Piana · Karberg & Hennemann srl, Modena, Italy
Innovative steels for potential applications in the automotive industry
B. Lefever · Aubert & Duval, France

Improved efficiency in automotive application through the use of special stainless steels and Ni based alloys
R. Hojda, N. Fabio · ThyssenKrupp VDM Italia, Sesto San Giovanni, Italy

Technology of manufacturing bimetallic pistons
V.P. Artemyev, E.G. Sokolov, A. Chalov · Kuban State Technological University, Krasnodar, Russia

Metallurgical considerations on automotive cast iron heat treatments
A. Caironi · FIAS srl, Gorla Minore, Italy
G. Caironi · Politecnico di Milano, Italy
G. Serramoglia · Consultant, Italy

The influence of chill thickness and heat treatment variables on wear behavior of a carbidic austempered ductile iron (CADI)
S. Yazdani, V. Nadiran · Sahand University of Technology, Tabriz, Iran

The performance of the ALNATTM Endo atmosphere on the annealing of steel tubes used in automotive applications
J. Furtado, S. Bockel-Macal, D. Domergue · Air Liquide, Jouy en Josas, France
L. Astolfi · Air Liquide Italia, Assago, Italy

Effect of solution treatment condition on the tensile properties of an austempered ductile iron with an initially pearlitic matrix structure
M.H. Alaalam, M. Grech · Industrial Research Center, Tripoli, Libya

Effects of induction hardening parameters on hardness of grey iron castings
S. Abbas, A. Ali R., A. Ali · Madjlesy New town, Isfahan, Iran

The influence of heat treatment process for the strips intended for the cars industry
E. Vasilescu, A. Doniga · Dunarea de Jos University, Galati, Romania
I. Vasilescu · S.C. Ispat Sidex S.A., Galati, Romania
Evaluation of the environmental impact of protective treatments on automotive magnesium alloys
E. Angelini, S. Grassini, B. DeBenedetti, L. Maffia · Politecnico di Torino, Italy

Optimization of a diode laser heat treatment of an AISI E 52100 (100Cr6) steel
E. Capello, M. Castelnuovo, B. Previtali · Politecnico di Milano, Italy

Effect of laser HPDL surface alloying of X40CrMoV5-1 hot-work tool steel
L.A. Dobrzański, M. Bonek, E. Hajduczek, A. Klimpel · Silesian University of Technology, Gliwice, Poland

Carbide precipitation in the microstructures of ductile irons containing 0.48% and 4.88% Al austempered at 350°C for 16 days
A.R. Kiani-Rashid · Sistan & Baluchestan University, Zahedan, Iran
D.V. Edmonds · University of Leeds, United Kingdom

Application of ultrasonic waves to the control of multilayer medium and thickness measurement of metallic coating
H. Hamidi, A. Badidibouda · Centre de Recherche Scientifique et Technique en Soudage et Contrôle, Cheraga, Algiers, Algeria

Cementation process evaluation using density profile on radiographs
B. Moulti, N. Tala-Ighil, S. Mebtouche · CSC/LCI, Cheraga, Algiers, Algeria

Atmosphere control in heat treatment for creation of quality and value in automotive materials and components
R. Andersson, J. Canala, T. Holm, M. Köhler · Linde Gas, Lidingö, Sweden

The use of ‘in process’ monitoring equipment in automotive heat treatment
G. Bisoni, C. Thomas, D. Plester · Datapaq Ltd., Cambridge, United Kingdom

Shaping surface properties of the ZnAl-based MMCs
W.K. Krajewski · AGH University of Science and Technology, Krakow, Poland
A new approach to hardening mechanisms in the diffusion layer of gas nitrided \( \alpha \)-microalloyed steels. Effects of chromium and aluminum: experimental and simulation study
C. Ginter · Aubert et Duval Alliages, Eramet Group, France
L. Torchane, J. Dulcy, M. Gantois · LSGS Ecole des Mines, Nancy, France

The influence of chemical composition of gas mixture for nitrocarburizing in fluidized bed
S. Dobrovici, N. Cazacu, E. Drugescu, F. Potecașu, O. Potecașu, A. Bâclea · Dunarea de Jos University, Galati, Romania

Controllable and combined nitriding technologies for alloyed steels
L.G. Petrova, O.V. Chudina · State Technical University, Moscow, Russia

Nitriding in fluidized bed for 38MoCrAl09 steel
A. Bâclea, N. Cazacu, O. Potecașu, F. Potecașu, S. Dobrovici, E. Drugescu · Dunarea de Jos University, Galati, Romania

Intelligent control system for gaseous nitriding process
J. Ratajški, J. Tacikowski, R. Olik, T. Suszko, O. Lupicka · Technical University of Koszalin, Poland

Weight of influence factors over nitriding in fluidized bed for 34MoCrNi15 steel
N. Cazacu, S. Dobrovici, F. Potecașu, O. Potecașu, A. Bâclea, E. Drugescu · Dunarea de Jos University, Galati, Romania

The influence of shot peening on fatigue limit of nitrided layers
A. Mancuso · Colmegna spa, Siziano, Italy
M. Boniardi, F. D’Errico · Politecnico di Milano, Italy

Effect of temperature and exposure atmosphere on microstructure of nitrided layer of austenitic stainless steel
H. Fujikawa, T. Watanabe · Air Water Incorporated, Amagasaki Hyogo, Japan

Effect of Si on the phase transformation of 309LSi stainless steel after various nitriding conditions
D-Y. Lin, H-C. Hsieh · I-Shou University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan
DLC top-layers on steel by cathodic arc on hard coatings intended for automotive tooling
S. Mutti, S. Luridiana · Microcoat spa, Sedriano, Italy
L. Guzman, L. Maines · Università di Trento, Italy

Coating of Al-Si alloy with Ti/C compositionally gradient film using magnetron co-sputtering for enhancement of its automotive applicability
T. Sonoda, K. Katou, I. Jeon, T. Yamada, T. Asahina · National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Nagoya, Japan

Mechanical properties of DLC film deposited on W-implanted 321 stainless steel
M. Xu, X. Cai, Y. Liu, Q. Chen · Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China
L. Li · University of Aeronautic and Astronautic, Beijing, China
P.K. Chu · City University of Hong Kong, Kowloon

Elaboration and characterization of Cr-Ni-Mn steel coatings formed by thermal spraying
M. Laribi · Ecole Nationale Polytechnique d’Alger, Algiers, Algeria
A.B. Vannes, D. Treheux · Ecole Centrale de Lyon, Ecully, France

Advanced PVD coatings to enhance the properties of high pressure die casting tools
D. Ugues, E. Torres, M. Rosso · Politecnico di Torino, Italy
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M. Perucca · Clean NT Lab., Torino, Italy

Preparation and properties of protective intermetallic surface layers on Ti-based light alloys
D. Vojtěch, T. Kubatík · Institute of Chemical Technology of Prague, Czech Republic

Characterization and wear properties of industrially produced nanoscaled CrN/NbN multilayer coating
C. Pecchio, S. De Rossi · Istituto Scientifico Breda spa, Milano, Italy
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Adhesion strength of TRD carbide coatings and applications in automobile industry
T. Arai · Teikuro Corporation, Springfield, USA
Heat treatment of spray forming tool steel
A. Magnacca · Uddeholm, Milano, Italy
T. Hilskog · Uddeholm Tooling, Hagfors, Sweden

Characterisation of the gradient coatings TiN+(Ti,Al,Si)N+TiN type deposited on sintered tool materials
L.A. Dobrzański, K. Golombek · Silesian University of Technology, Gliwice, Poland

Response to heat treatment of a P/M steel from diffusion bonded powders sintered in different conditions
A. Baggioli, B. Rivolta, G. Silva · Politecnico di Milano, Polo Regionale di Lecco, Italy
G.F. Bocchini · P/M Consultant, Rapallo, Italy
M.G. Ienco, M.R. Pinasco, E. Stagno · Università di Genova, Italy

Effect of microstructure on fatigue behavior of PM steels
V. Stoyanova, A. Molinari, M. Pellizzari, G. Straffelini · Università di Trento, Italy

Metal-ceramic coatings formed by electrocontact sintering of composite powder systems
V.A. Kovtun, Yu.M. Pleskachevsky · Belarussian Academy of Sciences, Gomel, Russia
V.A. Yakubovich, E.A. Zhirnov, O.M. Shalobalov · Public Joint-Stock Company “Gomeloboi”, Gomel, Russia

Surface densification process for high loaded PM automotive gears
P. Zingale · mG miniGears spa
M. Asti, D. Bassan, M.F. Pidria · Centro Ricerche Fiat, Orbassano, Italy

Tribological behaviour and corrosion resistance of Kolsterised AISI316L austenitic stainless steel. Existing applications in the automotive industry
L. Ceschini, E. Lanzoni, G. Sambogna · Università di Bologna, Italy
V. Bordiga, T. Schild · Bodycote, Chanteloup Les Vignes, France

The increase of durability of stainless steel using the glow discharge treatment
J.R. Sobiecki, T. Wierzchon · Warsaw University of Technology, Poland
J. Trojanowski · Institute of Precision Mechanics, Warsaw, Poland

Measurement of residual stress in martensitic stainless steel as a function of heat treatment
E.D. Doyle, Y.C. Wong · Swinburne University of Technology, Hawthorn, Australia
M. Ripley · Australia Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation, Menai, Australia
A study of key processing parameters in the active screen plasma nitriding (ASPN) of steels
E.D. Doyle · Swinburne University of Technology, Hawthorn, Australia
P. Hubbard, D.G. McCulloch · RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia
S.J. Dowey · Surface Technology Coatings, Thomastown, Australia

Nitriding response of high speed steels using active screen plasma nitriding
E.D. Doyle · Swinburne University of Technology, Australia
S.J. Dowey · Surface Technology Coatings
J. Carney, P. Munroe · University of New South Wales, Australia

Oxygen, hydrogen and deuterium effects on plasma nitriding of metal alloys
C.A. Figueroa, F. Alvarez · Unicamp, Campinas, Brazil

Plasma nitriding of samples with high edge-to-surface ratio
C. Alves Jr., J.A. Lima, R.S. de Souza, C.A. dos Santos, V. Hajek · Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte, Natal, Brazil

Plasma nitriding of steel for automotive valves
A. Ashrafizadeh, M. Salehi, F. Ashrafizadeh · Isfahan University of Technology, Iran

Surface hardening of steels by aluminization and plasma nitridation
K. Murakami, N. Nishida · Industrial Technology Center of Okayama Prefecture, Japan
K. Osamura · Koyo University, Japan
Y. Tomota, T. Suzuki · Ibaraki University, Japan

Wear behaviour of plasma nitrided AISI 316L austenitic stainless steel
A. Cabo · Ionar S.A., Buenos Aires, Argentina
P.A. Corengia, E. De Las Heras, F. Walther · Instituto Nacional de Tecnología Industrial, San Martín, Argentina
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Mechanical vacuum pump selection considerations for low pressure and plasma nitriding and nitrocarburising
V. Cheetham, S. Bruce, F. Merieux · BOC Edwards, Bolton, United Kingdom
**METALLURGICAL PROPERTIES**

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**Mechanism of fine austenite grain**  
N. Kurosawa, Y. Omori, T. Hayashi, A. Matsuzaki, T. Toyooka · JFE Steel Corporation Steel Research Laboratory, Kurashiki, Japan

**Phase transformation at zinc coatings**  
T. Radu, A. Ciocan, E. Drugescu, D. Negoița · Dunarea de Jos University, Galati, Romania

**Microstructures and properties of transformation induced plasticity steels**  
A. Dimatteo, G. Lovicu, M. Desanctis, R. Valentini, A. Solina · Università di Pisa, Italy

**Heat treatment optimization of trip steels**  
S. Nemecek, Z. Nový · Comtes FHT, Plzen, Czech Republic  
H. Stanková · Západočeská Univerzita, Plzen, Czech Republic

**Structure formation of iron during hot plastic deformation and development of technology for production of high-quality items**  
A.I. Pokrovsky · National Academy of Sciences, Minsk, Belarus

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**On stabilization of retained austenite**  
F. Abudaia · Al-fateh University, Tripoli, Libya

**Properties of TiN films on Ti⁺-implanted aluminum substrate**  
Y. Lin, X. Cai, Q. Chen, Y. Hu · Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China  
L. Li · University of Aeronautic and Astronautic, Beijing, China  
P.K. Chu · City University of Hong Kong, Kowloon

**Effect of initial microstructure on the spheroidization kinetics of medium carbon steel**  
H-C. Shin, Y-R. Im, G-S. Kim · Posco, Pohang, Korea

**Effect of aging on the microstructure and mechanical properties of eutectic aluminium-silicon alloy**  
J.U. Odo · Nnamdi Azikiwe University Awka, Nigeria  
B.A. Okorie · Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Nigeria
INNOVATIONS IN PROCESS AND TECHNOLOGY

14.00

Improved production of automotive parts by intensive quench processing
N.I. Kobasko · IQ Technologies Inc., Akron, USA
L.C.F. Canale · Universidade de São Paulo, Brasil
G.E. Totten · Portland State University, USA

Recuperated high velocity gas burners in ceramic design
R. Rakette · AICHELIN, Oederan, Germany

In-line heat treatment and high volume fabrication of aluminium profiles into automotive components
O. Jensrud · Raufoss Technology & Industrial Management, Norway

Friction of aluminum materials against aluminum counterbody
A.T. Valochka · National Academy of Sciences, Minsk, Belarus

Production of aluminum coated ferritic stainless steel by co-rolling and annealing
F. Felli, U. Bernabai, D. Pilone · Università La Sapienza, Roma, Italy

15.40

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16.10

Application of two-stage and continuous duplex treatment for increasing hot forging dies durability in automotive industry
J. Walkowicz, J. Smolik, et al. · Institute for Terotechnology, Radom, Poland

Thermal electron beam technologies in the automotive industry-state of the art
R. Zenker · TU Bergakademie Freiberg / Zenker Consult, Mittweida, Germany
A. Buchwalder · TU Bergakademie Freiberg, Germany

Gradient structures formation during electron beam treatment of deformable iron
A.I. Gordienko, I.L. Pobol, A.I. Pokrovsky · National Academy of Sciences, Minsk, Belarus

Note on the programme

This programme is a preliminary programme. It is not definite and it may be slightly modified: title and authors, cancelled or added papers, chairmen, timetable or duration, etc.

The definite programme will be distributed at the beginning of the Conference.
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CONFERENCE VENUE
The Conference will be held at the Palacongressi in Riva del Garda.

LANGUAGE
The official language of the Conference will be English. Simultaneous translation into Italian will be provided.

EXHIBITION
The Conference will feature a technical exhibition that will represent many areas of industry with latest equipment, facilities and instruments, products and services in the field of heat treatment and surface engineering.

The exhibition area is open to all delegates attending the event. It will also be accessible, free of charge, to people wishing to visit the exhibition.

PUBLICATION OF PROCEEDINGS
The full texts of all papers will be published in the form of a CD-ROM and sent to delegates after the conference.
A book of abstracts will be handed to delegates upon registration.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME
A social programme has been designed to give delegates the opportunity to meet informally and enjoy Riva del Garda’s atmosphere.

Welcome cocktail
A Welcome cocktail will be offered on the evening of 19 June 2005, at 18.30 to allow delegates to meet friends and fellow professionals from around the world.

Conference dinner
On the evening of 21 June 2005, at 20.00 a Conference dinner will be served.
**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

**Advanced Registration fees (before 27 May, 2005)**

**Standard rates**

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**Accompanying persons € 85** (Conference dinner, welcome cocktail).

Registration fees include entrance to technical sessions and exhibition, conference bag including a volume of abstracts, welcome cocktail, conference dinner, coffee breaks and lunches. For non-members the fee includes AIM Membership for the second half of 2005 and for the year 2006.

* Students will have to provide valid proof of student status. Standard Student rate includes access to technical sessions and exhibition and a conference bag with the proceedings. It does not include conference dinner and lunches.

** AIM Junior Members will be admitted, free of charge, only to technical session exhibition - AIM Junior membership amounts to € 15.**

Cumulative registrations for over 3 delegates from the same company will be entitled to a discount of 15%.

After 27 May, 2005 the above rates will be subject to an extra charge of € 100.

**Payment and remittance**

- by non-transferable bank draft or cheque, negotiable in Italy, to the order of Associazione Italiana di Metallurgia - AIM
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A copy of the transfer order must be sent to AIM, together with the Registration Form.

- by credit card Visa, American Express, Diners cards, Carta Sì, and cash at the registration desk in Riva del Garda.

**Advance registration**

If you plan to attend, please download the Registration Form on the conference website www.aimnet.it/aim_ifhtse.htm or the enclosed Registration Form and send it to the Conference Secretariat at your earliest convenience, but **not later than 27 May 2005**.

Please use a separate form for each participant. Photocopies can be used.

Please contact the Conference Secretariat by fax or e-mail, if possible.
On-site registration
All delegates must be registered at the registration desk.
Registration of delegates will start at 15.00 on 19 June and it will continue the following days at the on-site registration desk.

Cancellation and refund policy
A refund, less 20% deduction for administrative costs, will be issued for written cancellations received by 10 June 2005. For delegates who notify their cancellation after 10 June 2005 or will not attend the conference, a charge of 50% of the conference fee will be withheld and a copy of the proceedings will be sent after the event.

Insurance
The Conference Secretariat cannot assume any responsibility for personal accident, loss or damage to the private property of participants and accompanying persons, which may either occur during or arise from the conference. Participants should therefore take whatever steps they consider necessary as regards insurance.

Visa Application Form
If you need an official invitation to meet visa requirements please send your request to the Conference Secretariat before May 27, 2005. Be sure to include family and first name, passport number, nationality and fax number of Italian Embassy.
TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

Riva del Garda
Riva is one of Lake Garda’s best known resorts and is beautifully situated between the Brione and Rochetta mountains on the northern tip of the lake. The resort enjoys a mild climate and has a luxuriant vegetation of palms, oleanders and magnolias which you can admire as you wander along the lakeside promenade, or through the elegant parks. There are white shingle beaches which are popular for lake bathing, but perhaps you might prefer to take one of the lake steamers or hydrofoils, and visit other pretty lakeside villages. Riva dates back to Roman times and there are many fine buildings to be admired, especially around the Piazza Tre Novembre, whilst the 12th Century La Rocca castle dominates the waterfront. There are many shops among the narrow streets of the old town, together with a wide selection of cafés, bars and restaurants.

How to get there

by car  Motorway A22 Modena-Brennero (which joins the A4 Milano-Venezia, near Verona). Exit from A22 at Rovereto Sud. Riva del Garda can be reached after 12 km driving through Mori, Nago and Torbole.

by bus  from Milano  · Buses depart from Piazza Castello, Mondays through Saturdays at 7.00 a.m. and 1.40 p.m. and on Sundays at 7.00. For information and reservation contact the travel agency: ZANI VIAGGI, Foro Bonaparte 76, Milano (phone +3902 86464854)

  from Verona  · Buses to Riva del Garda depart from Verona train station at each hour starting from 6.40 a.m. until 6.45 p.m.. For information call +390464 552323 or +39045 8004125

by train  The nearest train station is Rovereto. Connecting buses to Riva del Garda depart in front of the station at each hour, from 6.55 a.m. to 8.35 p.m. during workdays and from 7.40 a.m. to 8.35 p.m. on Sundays and festivities.

by airplane  The nearest airport is Verona Valerio Catullo.

shuttle bus  Conference shuttle bus service from the airport to Riva del Garda and vice-versa will be organised at the cost of Eur 12 per person per trip. Seats will have to be booked before June 10th by filling the relevant section of the Registration Form and of the Hotel Reservation Form. Shuttle bus service will be organised according to the following schedule:

  from Verona - Valerio Catullo Airport to Riva del Garda  
  19 June  
  13:00 - 18:00 - 22:00
  from Riva del Garda to Verona - Valerio Catullo Airport  
  22 June  
  13:30 - 23 June  
  8:00 - 12:00

The above schedule is subject to changes up to 30’min. according to possible variation of flight schedules.
HOTEL ACCOMMODATION
For assistance with hotel accommodation and booking the official conference agency is:

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E-mail: rivatour@palacongressi.it

An allotment of rooms has been reserved for delegates at different hotels in Riva del Garda, for the period of the conference. Hotel rooms will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis. Due to heavy request, we advise to book hotels as soon as possible.

To reserve accommodation the relevant section of the conference website or the attached Hotel Reservation Form should be filled in and transmitted to Palacongressi. To send back by fax within May 16th 2005.

HOTEL RATES AND PAYMENT
Hotel rates (VAT including) - Per person, per night, on BB basis

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Upon reservation the payment of the total stay is required. This payment can be made by bank transfer of by credit card.

By bank transfer to: Palacongressi S.p.A., Unicredit Banca d’Impresa · Filiale 06686 di Arco · ABI 03226 CAB 35320 CIN Y Account 0000005615707.

Cancellation fees
In case of cancellation from May 22nd till June 15th we will keep a sum equal to 1 overnight. From June 16th onwards we will keep the entire sum due.
**SPOUSE PROGRAMME**

A choice of selected tours will be available for accompanying persons. Tours will be subject to a minimum participation of 20 people and they will have to be booked directly on-site.

**20 June**

**Venezia classic**

Travel by coach to Venice, P.le Roma, then on foot to visit the lesser known, but equally characteristic corners of the city. Continuing to the "Rialto Bridge" where you can stop for a few moments to admire the marvellous Canal Grande. From P.le Roma it is also possible to take a romantic gondola ride (optional). You will then be led along the shopping streets to arrive at "St. Marks Square" where you will have free time and the optional opportunity of a sightseeing cruise on the lagoon. Return to coach is by private motorboat along the "Giudecca" canal, passing St. Georges Island.

Departure from Riva at 7.35 a.m - return at 8.50 p.m - Rate: € 49.50 per person (including transport, guide)

**Girolago**

Tour by coach along the romantic Gardesana, one of the most beautiful roads in Europe with its particular vegetation like olive trees, cypresses and flowers with an extraordinary beauty. Stops on the most beautiful spots. A visit to several picturesque villages to see monuments dating from the period of Roman, Scaliger, Venetian and Austrian possessors. A part of the lake will be crossed by ferryboat.

Departure from Riva at 9.40 a.m - return at 6.30 p.m - Rate: € 34 per person (including transport, guide)

**21 June**

**Bolzano & Renon**

Oasis of peace in the heart of the South-Tyrol. Bolzano, meeting point of the Italian and German cultures. Possibility to visit the Archaeological museum made famous by its exhibit "Frozen Fritz" the 5300-year-old man found on the Schnals Glacier (optional). Walk through the colourful fruit market and down the well-known "Portici“ shopping street (free time). Renon, this natural plateau high above the city is reached by an historic, narrow gauge tram and offers its visitors breathtaking views of the Western Dolomites and a delightful walk to the Earth stone pyramids (free time). The programme could be carry out in inverse way.

Departure from Riva at 8.20 a.m - return at 6.20 p.m - Rate: € 42 per person (including transport, guide)

**Verona**

A tour by bus through the city of Romeo and Juliet to admire some of the most important monuments and the not so well known places, which are equally characteristic. Panoramic-tour through the hills surrounding the city. Free time at disposal to visit the historical centre and for shopping.

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☐ Date __________________________ Signature __________________________
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Du Lac (4 stars sup.) € 103,00 € 149,00 € 103,00
A (4 stars / 3 stars sup.) € 60,00 € 80,00
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The rooms will be assigned on a chronological order of arrival. Should the requested category be fully booked, we will book you in a different one. The confirmation will be sent from Rivatour by fax or e-mail.

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TRANSFER SERVICE FROM AND TO VERONA AIRPORT
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From Verona to Riva del Garda From Riva del Garda to Verona
19 June ☐ 13:00 ☐ 18:00 ☐ 22:00 22 June ☐ 13:30
23 June ☐ 8.00 ☐ 12.00

Yes I want to book the transfer marked with a cross

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