

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF HEAT TREATMENT AND SURFACE ENGINEERING



More than a thousand attend successful 30th World Congress



Professor Zhou Yu, chairman of the 30th World Conference, gives the opening address.

Nearly 800 scholars, experts, and scientific and technological personnel attended the 30th World Conference on Heat Treatment and Surface Engineering at the Suzhou Shishan International Conference Center, August 19-22.

Professor Zhou Yu, chairman of the conference, gave a warm welcome to the distinguished guests and delegates from home and abroad, and he affectionately reviewed the first four international conferences held in China, including the 1,000-plus attended World Congress in Xi'an, China.

Professor Yoichi Watanabe and Professor Xu Yueming were recognized as IFHTSE Fellows for their outstanding technical contributions.

To encourage young scholars, Professor Massimo Pellizzari, IFHTSE president, presented the Tom Bell Young Author Award to Wu Liang (2018) and Ellen K. Troyanosski (2024).

Overall, the conference was successful, filled with many attendees and quality technical content.

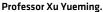
CONFERENCE UPDATES

BHTS 2026 – the 3rd Bosphorus International Heat Treatment Symposium April 16-17, 2026 Instanbul, Türkiye

BHTS 2026 — the 3rd Bosphorus International Heat Treatment Symposium will be April 16–17, 2026 at the Sabancı University Performing Arts Center in Istanbul, in collaboration with the Metal Heat Treatment Industrialists Association (MISAD) and UCTEA Chamber of Metallurgical and Materials Engineers' Training Center (METEM). The chairman of the event is Nuri Kiziltan. The deadline for final paper submission is January 9, 2026.

The symposium will provide a comprehensive platform to discuss heat treatment — one of the strategic fields of manufacturing — considering the latest technological and scientific developments. The goal





is to bring together all stakeholders, including industry leaders, engineers, researchers, academics, and end users, to exchange knowledge, build collaborations, and shape the future of the field.

More info: www.bhtsheat.com/en

31st IFHTSE World Congress October 13-15, 2026 Cologne, Germany

Organized by AWT – Arbeitsgemeinschaft Wärmebehandlung + Werkstofftechnik e. V., the 31st IFHTSE World Congress will be October 13-15, 2026 in Cologne, Germany, at the International Conference and Trade Fair.

This will include two other events in addition to the World Congress: HK 2026 and ECHT 2026.

This will truly be a huge event. If you have never attended the AWT HK (HärtereiKongress) event, this is one of the largest (if not the largest) heat-treating trade shows in the world. This, combined with



Wu Liang and Ellen K. Troyanosski receive the Tom Bell Young Author Award.

ECHT 2026 and the 31st World Congress, will be the event to attend. More info: www.ifhtse.org/events/31st-ifhtse-world-congress.

IFHTSE 2026 EVENTS

APRIL 16 -17

3rd Bosphorus International Heat Treatment SymposiumSabancı University Performing Arts Center
Tuzla, Istanbul

OCTOBER 13-15

31st IFHTSE World Congress Cologne, Germany

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