

Global Fluid Power Society (GFPS) meeting

March 19, 2024

GFPS Participants meeting

Thursday, March 19th 2024

In attendance:

Onsite

Andrea Vacca Purdue University (USA)

Liselott Ericson Linkoping University (Finland)

Paolo Leutenegger Duplomatic (Italy) Luca Ricco Duplomatic (Italy)

Andrew Plummer University of Bath (UK)

Marcus Geimer Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (Germany)

Lasse Schmidt Aalborg University (Denmark)
Tatiana Minav Tampere University (Finland)
Katharina Schmitz RWTH Aachen (Germany)

Juergen Weber Technical University of Dresden (Germany)

Victor De Negri University of Santa Catarina (Brazil)

Online

Emma Frosina University of Sannio (Italy)
Adolfo Senatore University of Naples (Italy)

Eric Bideaux INSA Lyon (France)

Heikki Handross Lappeenranta Univ. of Technology (Finland)

Kim Stelson University of Minnesota (USA)

Massimo Rundo Turin Polytechnic (Italy)

Sanada Kazushi Yokohama National University (Japan)

Victor Sverbilov Samara University (Russia)

Travis Weins University of Saskatchewan (Canada)

Xavier Gamez-Montero Polytechnic of Catalunya (Spain)

Agenda

- 1. GFPS board
- 2. GFPS in conferences and GFPS awards
- 3. GPFS PhD Symposium: 2022 and 2024
- 4. International Journal of Fluid Power

Publication strategy for GFPS community

- 5. GFPS financial status
- 6. Unite! Initiative by GFPS members



Current Board of Directors (BoB)

(June 2022 – May 2026)



Jürgen Weber (**Chair**) *Technische Universität Dresden, Germany*



Andrea Vacca (Secretary and Treasurer)
International Journal of Fluid Power Editor in Chief
Purdue University, USA



Emma Frosina *Universita' del Sannio, Italy*



Victor De Negri Univ. of Santa Caterina, Florianopolis, Brazil



Bing Xu

Zhejiang University, China

Board of Directors

Current BoB discussed following structure for GFPS governance for years 2022 - 2026.

Director roles

Chair

- Formal representation of GFPS
- Coordination of BoB meetings



Public Relations

- Website updates
- Communication to Participants
- Retention and recruitment of new participants

GFPS Symposium

- Guide local organizers
- Ensure paper publishing
- Assist with paper review



International Journal of Fluid Power (IJFP)

- Role of the Editor in Chief
- Committee formed by the Editorial Board and associate editors
- Special issues
- Strategies for improving journal website and promotion

Award

- GFPS best paper award
- Nomination to external awards
- Creation of new awards?



- Except for the IJFP, roles will be determined after the new BoB is formed
- Each director can establish a committees of GFPS members to help with his functions
- Each director/committee will report to the BoB twice a year 6 months
- Board of Director will report to the General Assembly at least once a year

GFPS in conferences

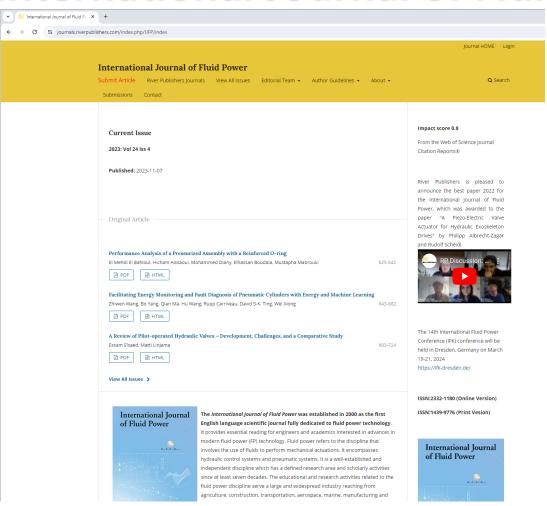
BEST PAPER AWARDS

- 1. ICFP 2017 (thanks to Huayong Yang and Songjing Li)
- 2. SICFP 2017 (thanks to Petter Krus)
- 3. JFPS 2017 (thanks to Kazushi Sanada)
- 4. ASME Bath FPMC 2017 (thanks to Andrea Vacca and Monika Ivantysynova)
- 5. IFK2018 (thanks to Hubertus Murrenhoff), 2 awards!
- 6. GFPS 2018 BACKE' MEDAL (thanks to Victor Sverbilov)
- 7. ASME Bath FPMC 2018 (thanks to Andrew Plummer, Nigel Johnston)
- 8. FPM 2019 (thanks to Huayong Yang)
- 9. SICFP 2019 (thanks to K. Huhtala)
- 10. FPMC 2019 (thanks to J. Van de Ven)
- 11. FPMC 2020 (thanks to Andrew Plummer, Nigel Johnston)
- 12. DVM 2020 (thanks to Victor Sverbilow)
- 13. IFK 2020 (thanks to Jürgen Weber)
- 14. GFPS 2020 BACKE' MEDAL (thanks to Songjing Li)
- 15. JFPS 2020 (thanks to Hideyuki Tsukagoshi)
- 16. ICFP 2021 (thanks to Huayong Yang and Feng Wang)
- 17. ASME FPMC 2021 (thanks to Perry Li, Nigel Johnston)
- 18. IFK 2022 (thanks to Katharina Schmitz)
- Bath ASME 2022 (thanks to Nigel Johnston)
- 20. GFPS 2022 BACKE' MEDAL (thanks to Emma Frosina and Adolfo Senatore)
- 21. SICFP 2023 (thanks to Tatiana Minav)
- 22. FPM2023 (thanks to Songjing Li)
- 23. ASME/Bath2023 (thanks to Lizhi Shang/Nariman Sepehri)
- 24. IFK2024 (thanks to Juergen Weber)

Note:

GFPS participation to conferences always to be approved by the Board of Directors





- River Publishers since 2019
- Impact score 0.8
- Open access since 2023
- 24 papers in 2023
- Increasing rejection rate
 - Desk reject 56%
 - After review reject 25%
- 31% increase in website views compared to 2022

Recent Initiatives

Promotion. Fliers at conferences. Interviews to Editorial Board members
 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= M0swcSv KE)

Best paper award (once a year)

2021: "A Digital Displacement Hydrostatic Wind-turbine Transmission" by W. Rampen et al.

https://youtu.be/I7v0FYUFQ8w

2022: "A Piezo-Electric Valve Actuator for Hydraulic Exoskeleton Drives" by P. Albecht-Zagar and R. Scheidl https://youtu.be/rLs7N8-etY8

2023: "Application of Deep Reinforcement Learning Control of an Inverted Hydraulic Pendulum" by F. Brumand-Poor et al.

Recent Initiatives

Special issue. Propose to have a special issue for every GFPS sponsored event.
 How it works:

IFK2024
SICFP2023
GFPS2022
ICFPMCE2022
IFK 2022
SICFP2021
ICFP2021
NSHP 2020
GFPS 2020

- local conference chair to be the Guest Editor
- 5-7 papers to be identified from the conference
 papers selected for the GFPS best paper award is a
 possible option. Other criteria can be accepted.
 Important to have good reviews
- authors to be invited to submit an extended version (20%-30% difference). This solves copyright issues. Paper title can remain unchanged.

New Initiatives

- Open access journal. Starting 2023 the IJFP will be online
 - EUR 600 publication fee
 - EUR 300 for GFPS participating institutions
 - EUR 150 for papers in the IJFP special issues

covered by IJFP dues

- Strategies to further lower open access fees.
 - Industry sponsorship for IJFP issues
- Enforce citing IJFP on paper submission.
 - to authors: 2/3 citations to IJFP papers "to ensure topic relevance" authors can justify why no IJFP references are provided
 - to Associate Editors: check flag added to the review online tool

New Initiatives

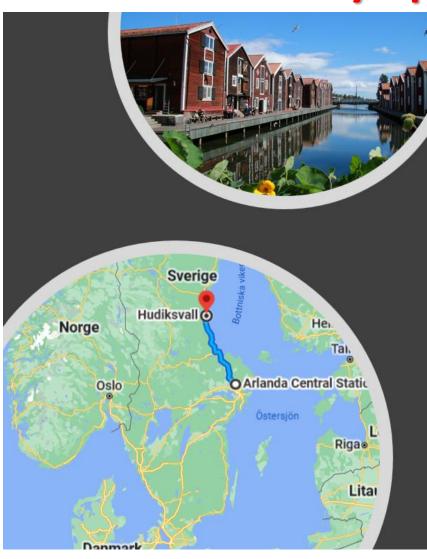
- Fluid Power Series. Scopus indexed collection of conference proceedings. Same publisher as IJFP
 - IFK conference. Juergen Weber, Katharina Schmitz
 - Maha conference. Andrea Vacca

More to add?

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Hudiksvall

- Population 16589 (37746 municipality)
- The largest cluster of hydraulic companies in Northern Europe
- 2.5 hours by train from Stockholm Arlanda
- Very short nights or very long days in June (depending how you see it).

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Strategic Partners in Innovation and Science





































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Program at a glance

- 16th June 1730:
 - Welcome reception by Monitor
- 17th June
 - 10.00: Opening ceremony
 - · Keynote and technical sessions
- 18th June:
 - Keynote and technical sessions
 - Afternoon Forest Excursion
- 19th June:
 - Keynote and technical sessions
 - Afternoon Industrial presentations and demos
- · 20th June:
 - · Keynote and technical sessions,
 - Lunch (12:00) and end of program.

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Keynotes

- Prof. Andrew Plummer, University of Bath, UK
- Dr Kim Heybroek, Volvo Construction Equipment, Volvo Group, Sweden
- Dr. Pascal Kiwitz, Bucher Hydraulics, Switzerland
- Dr Marcus Rösth, Hudiksvall Hydraulics Cluster, Sweden
- Prof. Victor J. De Negri, Federal University of Santa Catarina, Brazil

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FOREST EXCURSION with HOLMEN

- <u>Discover</u> and <u>experience</u> a <u>true example</u> of <u>sustainable</u> innovation on <u>this excursion with</u> the <u>forest company</u> Holmen.
- We will showcase historical forestry and modern hydraulic equipment, and you will learn about sustainability and biodiversity.

All <u>framed</u> by the Hälsingland <u>forests</u>, <u>local food specialties</u>, and the <u>magic Swedish midsummer</u> tradition.



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Conference papers

- Open access by Springer Nature
- Deadline <u>review</u> 20th of <u>March</u>, 2024

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- > 150 participants
- > 61 presentations
- > Industry panels
- ➤ 3 plenary lectures



DATES:

Power, Energy and Industry Applications

Robotics and Control Systems Signal Processing and Analysis

Transportation

07/15/2021-> Chairs asked the sponsorship to IEEE including a list of keywords, field of interest and scope

Keywords:
Pumps and motors; Fluid power components, architectures and systems; Control
methodologies for fluid power systems and applications; Novel energy efficient components and
systems; Digital and switched fluid power systems; Fluid power drives and transmissions;
Safety, reliability, fault analysis and diagnosis; Noise and vibration; Fluid power in renewable
energy, robotics, mechatronics and other applications; Human scale, and mobile self-powered
fluid power; Environmental aspecFIMachFluid Power,
Field of Interest:
Aerospace
Components, Circuits, Devices and Systems
Engineering Profession

Scope:

Every two years, a GFPS Symposium is organized by the Global Fluid Power Society for students, young researchers and industries. The symposium aims to be a solid reference of the technical community to present and discuss the most recent results of scientific and technological research for the fluid power industry, with particular emphasis to applications and new trends.

Attention is paid, but not limited, to new technology in the fluid power, power transmissions and motion control fields. The Symposium will include technical presentations and a keynote speech given by experts.

The program is designed to raise the interest of a wide group of researchers, operators and decision makers from the fluid power field, by presenting the most innovative solutions in this field from the scientific and technological point of view.

All these fields were filled in agreement with the https://ieeemce.org/planning-basics/getting-started/define-scope-**Define Your Scope** audience-objectives/

The conference committee defines the scope of the conference. The scope may be an existing field of interest, a subset of that field, closely related fields of interest, or a new technology. The scope should fit within the overall IEEE scope, which includes:

- Aerospace
- Bioengineering
- · Communication, Networking & Broadcasting
- · Components, Circuits, Devices & Systems
- · Computing & Processing (Hardware/Software)
- Engineered Materials, Dielectrics & Plasmas
- · Engineering Profession
- Fields, Waves & Electromagnetics
- General Topics for Engineers (Math, Science & Engineering)
- Geoscience
- · Nuclear Engineering
- · Photonics & Electro-Optics
- · Power, Energy, & Industry Applications
- · Robotics & Control Systems
- · Signal Processing & Analysis
- Transportation

From IEEE Website

In the request, we also wrote that each paper will be reviewed by two reviewers (DONE). Finally, each paper has been reviewed two times (not requested by IEEE which usually accepts one cycle of revision).

DATES:

02/18/2022-> The request for the sponsorship was approved by IEEE.

11/11/2023 -> Conference proceedings were sent to IEEE following the submitting guidelines.

09/02/2023 -> The *IEEE Technical Program Integrity Committee TPCI* rejected the proceedings with the following motivation: "Many out-of-scope papers. Though a paper may be within the conference scope, it may not always be within IEEE scope and should not be submitted for possible inclusion.

Papers classified under fluid mechanics and mechanical engineering are not within IEEE Scope"

02/22/2023 -> IEEE allowed to start an appeal process "If you wish to appeal this TPIC decision, the Italy Section will need to provide endorsement confirmation".

22/02/2023 -> Conference Chairs asked the Italy Section to proceed with the appeal process.

April 2023 -> In agreement with the President of the Italy Section, Chairs provided for the appeal process an Excel file including for each paper:

- The reviewers revision (for each cycle of revision) and grade
- A list of other THREE papers already published by IEEE and available on Xplore
- A letter from GFPS (signed by the Chairman of Board and Secretary and Treasurer of Board)

November 2023 -> The President of the Italy Section asked us to select some papers for the appeal. The number was reduced to 48 papers removing the ones with low grades.

January 2024 -> The President of the Italy Section finally submitted the appeal.

02/23/2024 -> IEEE rejected the appeal with the following motivation:

"IEEE OUs cannot require/ demand conference organizers to remove papers after the IEEE Quality Review process and decision concludes. Please note the TPIC decision can be appealed to the IEEE Conference Quality Committee. Please be advised the appeal process does not allow papers to be removed. The appeal process requires conference organizers and the IEEE OUs involved in the technical program to defend the original review process and the PDFs submitted to IEEE for possible inclusion in IEEE Xplore Digital Library.

If you wish to proceed with the appeal process, please email me directly, and I will generate the documentation to begin the appeal process."

Feb 2024 -> Both Conference Chairs and the GFPS Secretary and Treasurer of Board asked the President of the Italy Section to proceed with a new appeal including all the papers (61) receiving a negative response from him.



Subsequent to the presentation of the above material, the assembly unanimously agreed to proceed with the publication of the GFPS2022 proceedings through River **Publisher**

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Unite! Network: trans-European Campus

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Unite! is a network of nine partner universities collaborating to integrate towards a trans-European Campus,



University Network for Innovation, Technology and Engineering

education in engineering and science

technology transfer

280,000 students

Aalto University, Espoo/Helsinki KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm

entrepreneurship and innovation

regional embeddedness

Wrocław Tech **Technical University of Darmstadt** Graz University of Technology Grenoble INP-UGA Politecnico di Torino

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya · BarcelonaTech Universidade de Lisboa

77,300 graduates annually



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https://www.unite-university.eu/

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Unite! See Fund: Consortium

Fund lines: Educational and Research





"Effectively enhancing teaching and learning of 'Fluid Power and Systems' in Higher Education"

2024



Unite! Programme Option:





Unite! Seed Fund Initiative Line:

Teaching and Learning



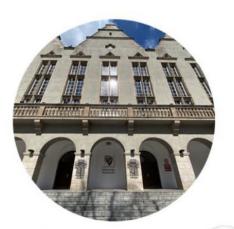


























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Unite! See Fund: Project Plan and Activities

Higher Education

The focus on ...

Common & Permanent!

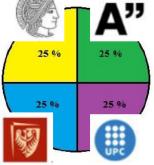
The focus of Exploring application is to develop a **common** international understanding and to establish a basis for a **permanent** exchange of knowledge and experience.

Programma Option **Exploring**

Year	2	2023 2024											
Activity Term	T4		T1			T2		T3			T4		
Setting up the collaboration				6									
Review State-of-the-art teaching methods in fluid power										9			
Exploration of new data-centric educational formats													
Develop and publish training and education material as OER													
Dissemination and Transfer: onsite workshop at one Unite! university, project publication, and preparing a proposal for the next call													

... and these activities intend to answer ...

Total Budget: 10 000 euros (equally distributed)





... and our proposal

in "Exploring" ...

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Research Question(s) and Expected Answers and Results

(major climb & summit) ... in "Developing" Our mission

Our goals

Our vision

To significantly adapt

To build unprecedented

To open our developme members of our institut



(minor climb) how these different aspects can be combined şto guarantee a modern and innovative teaching and learning approach in 'fluid power and systems', e.g. to enable data literacy and data science competencies in fluid power and systems, OER, etc.

(base camp) how cutting-edge, state-of-the-art teaching and learning methods are, e.g. blended lectures, flipped classroom, project-related learning, COIL, challenge-based learning, hands-on experiments, etc.

(expedition) how 'fluid power and systems' related topics are taught at the partner

universities, i.e. subjects and courses, educational program (curriculum and syllabus), updated catalog of materials, etc.



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Unite! See Fund: New Application

Specific objectives and results:

New application submitted:



Unite! Programme Option:
"Developing"

HARMONIZE. Course design, basic and advanced, with a transversal and harmonized syllabus.

PRACTICE. Renovate, modernise and adapt the learning contents to the appropriate teaching methodologies

SHARE. Virtual sharing existing equipment for experimental courses and integrated learning materials.

Funding decision June 2024 Now, 5 partner universities!























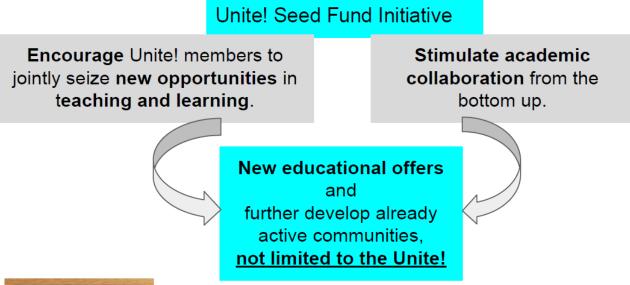




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Unite! See Fund: expand the network







Partners beyond Unite!

... for future calls, to **expand this network**.



IMPORTANT: Partners beyond Unite! can be included, but not as beneficiaries

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The end



Thank you very much for your attention!

More information at:

https://www.unite-university.eu/unitenews/teaching-fluido -power-and-systems-in-higher-education



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GFPS financial status

Current available \$ 23,057

Last year expenses:

\$ 500 (+ bank fee) x 3 paper awards

\$ 150 2023 tax declarations

\$ 300 web domain

anticipated: \$1,500 webmaster

anticipated: \$1,500 IJFP student assistant