



ADVANCING THE TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, PROCESSING AND APPLICATION OF IRON AND STEEL

AIST AISTech Meeting Notice / Agenda Digitalization Applications Technology Committee

Date: Wednesday, 7 May

Location: Music City Center, Nashville, TN

Room: 103A

1. *Chair's opening remarks – Bryan Beard*

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2. *Appoint minute-taker*

3. *Antitrust guidelines*

4. *Membership and attendance*

5. *Review minutes of previous meeting*

6. *AIST Staff Announcements*

7. *Main agenda items*

- **Present Technology Committee awards – Best Paper 2025**

"Prioritized anomaly management in steel production using self-supervised AI",
Rishabh Shah, Suhas Mehta, Falconry Inc.

- **Review Mission Statement**

MISSION: To promote the understanding and advancement of appropriate digitalization applications, architectures and technologies for the processing of steel, by providing forums to learn about best practices, new and current technologies; by enabling the exchange of problem solving ideas within the metals processing industry, and with potential suppliers; as well as by networking with associated disciplines in academia, government, research and related industries.

- **Nominations for Board of Director Level Awards—Distinguished Member and Fellow, Sendzimir Award, Fairless Award and Steelmaker of the Year nominations**

- **Develop committee objectives for next year**

- **Meeting Locations** – Fall 2025 Tour Options & Spring 2026 Tour Options
- **Technical Topic to be discussed and possible presenters**
- **Conferences/Webinars**
Webinars Visit: <https://www.aist.org/conference-expositions/webinars>

- **Elect New Officers**

Chair – Kris Kent, Nucor Steel Arkansas

Vice Chair - David P. Kober, Global Gauge Corporation

Papers Chair - Brad Morgan, Nucor Steel Arkansas & Chalapathy Devarakonda, Big River Steel

Young Professional Chair - Sam Jacobson, Iba America, LLC

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- **Present Chair Plaques – Photos outside meeting room**

8. Discussion items

- a. Recap of the 2024 Industrial Automation and Control System Fundamentals training course – David Kober
- b. Digital Transformation for the Steel Industry Forum, 13-14 October 2026, Sheraton, Pittsburgh, PA, USA
Call For Abstracts – Contact agauffin@aist.org
Call For Panelists – Safety, Predictive Maintenance, Producer Panels

Organizing Committee:

- Jamie Stewart, USS
- Gaurav Malhotra, Nucor
- Bernard Chukwulebe, Arcelormittal
- Nathan Settlemyre, Chartersteel
- Rob Oldroyd, Nucor
- Patrick Gallagher, MSA
- Mike Dudzic, former Arcelormittal
- Franck Adjogble, SMS Group Inc.
- Philip Woodward, Danieli
- Yufeng Wang, SSAB
- Liwei Zhang, ArcelorMittal
- James Hendrickson, NWI Automation

9. Next meeting – Fall 2025

10. Chair conclusion – Bryan Beard

11. Adjourn

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