



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

AIST Fall Meeting Notice / Agenda Long Products Technology Committee

Date: Monday 31 August 2026

Location: Myrtle Beach, SC

Somerset Room

Embassy Suites by Hilton Myrtle Beach Oceanfront Resort

Hotel Arrangements

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9800 Queensway Boulevard

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29572 USA

Reserve by 1 August 2026 for AIST Room Rate of \$256

Agenda – Monday 31 August 2026

1. Continental Breakfast 8:00 a.m.
 2. Chair's opening remarks — *Chris Hill* 9:00 a.m.
 3. Introductions
 4. Appoint minute-taker
 5. Antitrust guidelines
 6. Membership and attendance
 7. Review previous minutes
 8. AIST Staff Announcements — *M. Dehel*
 9. AIST Steel Industry Fatalities
 10. Committee Business
- AISTech Session Development – *Martin Etemadi*
 - Selection of Abstracts - due by **16 Sept**
 - Determine session structure including session titles & session chairs – due by **28 Oct**
 - Review Papers Chair and Session Chair instructions:
 - Papers Chair - This position is a leadership role consisting of the development of sessions and the management of session chairs. The role of Papers Chair is to ensure authors follow paper and PowerPoint submissions and to ensure registration to avoid no shows. The Papers Chair is also responsible for coordinating the selection of the Best Paper Award winner.
 - Session Chair - This position supports the Papers Chair of the respective technology committee by communicating to the authors on topic content as well as on missing or late submission of required information. The Session Chairs will review and evaluate the paper and presentation files for content

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as well as for publication and awards (an evaluation form will be provided). During AISTech, the session chair will ensure their session runs smoothly with the assistance of AIST Staff

- Obtain volunteers for Session Chairs
- Finalize AISTech Call for Papers for next year:
 - Safety innovations with rolling mill operations; new equipment and technologies; new installations and revamp of existing facilities; process and auxiliary equipment, including gauging systems; shearing and handling equipment, guide systems, and control systems; process and product development; defect inspection and product quality; personnel development and training.

BREAK

10:00 a.m.

- Finalize committee roundup — *Joe Kennedy*
 - Final revisions due 30 September 2026
- Technology Training conference — *Andrew Schless*
 - Long Products Rolling – A Practical Training Seminar
 - Location: Charlotte, NC
 - Date: Tour Nucor Steel Lexington
 - Review program
- Study Tour planning — *Dean Scheumann & Antonio Ambra*
 - Location: Italy
 - Date: 11-16 October 2026!
 - Topic: AI and Automation Upgrades
- Liaison Updates
 - Safety – *Chad Howle*
 - Young Professionals – *Mark Bailey*
 - AI – *Antonio Ambra*
 - Decarbonization

11. Next meeting

- Date: 22 February 2027
- Location: Charlotte, NC
- In conjunction with Long Products Training Seminar



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LUNCH

Noon

12. Technical Presentations

1:00pm

- Improving Setup Sheets – *Joe Kennedy, Quad Engineering Inc*
- TBD
- TBD
- TBD

13. Chair conclusion — C. Hill

14. Adjourn

4:00 p.m.

**Committee attendees are welcome to join the
Globetrotters Welcome Reception from 4:30-6:00pm**



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- DON'T talk about what individual companies plan to do in particular markets or with particular customers.
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