



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

AIST Fall Meeting Notice / Agenda Galvanizing Technology Committee

Date: 9-10 September 2025
Location: Rancho Cucamonga, CA
Tour: California Steel Industries (CSI)

Arrangements

Hilton Garden Inn Ontario / Rancho Cucamonga
11481 Mission Vista Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Reserve by 5:00PM 18 August 2025 for "AIST" Room Rate of \$179
For reservations, call 909-481-1800 or visit the [booking link](#)

AIST technology committee members are asked to print out the latest revised meeting agenda from our website one week prior to this meeting.

Tuesday, 9 September 2025 – Meeting at the hotel

- 1. Chair's opening remarks** *8:00 am*
- 2. Appoint minute-taker**
- 3. Antitrust guidelines**
- 4. Membership and attendance**
- 5. Review minutes of previous meeting**
- 6. AIST Staff Announcements**
- 7. Steel Industry Fatalities**
- 8. Main agenda items**
 - AISTech 2026 session development
 - Selection of Abstracts (Due by 16 Sept)
 - Determine session structure (Due by 28 Oct) including session titles & session chairs
 - Finalize AISTech call for papers for 2027
 - *Hot-dip galvanize, galvanneal, aluminized, new zinc alloy coating and dual metallic/organic processes (new facilities and modernizations, productivity improvements, new equipment technologies), plus coated product substrate quality, defect prevention and detection, and new surface post-treatments.*
 - Finalize committee roundup



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9. Discussion items - Technical Topics for Presentation and Discussion

Health & Safety Technologies and Practices

- OEM Designed-In Safety Considerations for New Galv Lines

1. **Safety Considerations for Galvanizing Lines** **9:00 am**
Hugues de Mallmann, Fives ST Corp.

TBD, Primetals

Coffee Break **10:00 am**

2. **Safeguards Around CGL Annealing Furnaces
During Operation and Maintenance** **10:15 am**
Greg Gutmann, John Cockerill

- Reliability/Maintenance via Automation and AI

3. **Drone Inspection of Annealing Furnaces
and Other Line Areas** **10:45 am**
Anthony Neeley, ArcelorMittal Calvert

4. **Artificial Intelligence & Robotics:** **11:15 am**
TBD, Gecko Robotics

5. **Autonomous Robotic Solutions:** **11:35 am**
Richard Climenhage, ANYbotics AG

Lunch **Noon**



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- Personal Protection Equipment Around the Pot

- 6. NSA High Heat & Industrial Protection – Carbon Armour** **1:00 pm**
TBD, NSA Carbon Armour®

- Producer Health & Safety Initiatives and Programs

- 7. TCOS “Take Control Of Safety” Explained** **1:30 pm**
Dan Drane, SDI

- 8. Strip Break Safety** **2:00 pm**
Brad Bray & Don Merchant, CSI

- 9. Health & Safety Initiatives at Cleveland Cliffs** **2:30 pm**
Nathan Berry, Cleveland Cliffs

Coffee Break *3:00 pm*

- Coil & Sheet Handling Safety

- 10. Machine Vision AI for Forklift Safety** **3:15 pm**
Eric Almquist, Star Tool & Die Works, Inc.

- 11. Intelligent Material Flow & Automated Warehousing** **3:45 pm**
RAJ, Pesmel

10. Next meeting

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11. Chair conclusion

12. Adjourn for the day *5:00 pm*



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Wednesday, 10 September 2025

Tour: California Steel Industries (CSI)
1 California Steel Way, Fontana, CA

9:00 am

- Meet in main administration building at 9 am. Carpool if possible.
- PPE requirements:
 - o Long pants
 - o Hard soled, closed toed shoes
 - o Hard hat, safety glasses, hearing protection, and hi-vis jacket provided by CSI
- Anticipate being done by noon.

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