

## **HelioCon 2024 Annual Workshop**

Co-located with ASME-ES Conference

**Hilton Anaheim**

**777 W Convention Way**

**Anaheim, California 92802 USA**

**July 16- 17, 2024**

### **HelioCon Sessions held in room: Palos Verdes A**

#### **Agenda Outline:**

- Tuesday, July 16 10:25 AM - 12:05 PM: Technical Session 18-01: HelioCon Metrology
- Tuesday, July 16 1:35 PM - 3:15 PM: Technical Session 18-02: HelioCon Windload
- Tuesday, July 16 3:35 PM - 5:15 PM: Technical Session 18-03: HelioCon Solar Field
- Wednesday, July 17 9:05 AM - 10:05 AM: Technical Session 18-04: HelioCon Heliostat Designs
- Wednesday, July 17 10:25 AM - 12:05 PM: Technical Session 18-05: HelioCon Modeling and Training
- Wednesday, July 17 1:30 PM – 6:15 PM: HelioCon Workshop: Summary Session

#### **Workshop Chairs:**

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**HelioCon 2024 Workshop Technical Sessions**  
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<b>HelioStat Consortium – TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024</b>	
<b>Session 18-01: HelioCon Metrology - Chair: Rebecca Mitchell (10:25 AM - 12:05 PM)</b>	
Randy Brost	Optical Effects of Temperature Change for Heliostat Mirrors
Devon Kesseli	Demonstration and Automation of Reflected Target Optical Measurement for Heliostats
Yu Zhou	HelioStat Consortium: Scoping Optical Metrology Tools for Heliostat Evaluation and Building a Power Tower Concentrating Solar Power Plant Database
Tucker Farrell	A Non-Intrusive Optical (NIO) Approach to Characterize in-situ Optical Performance of Heliostats: Field Testing and Tracking Error Estimates
Kyle Sperber	Moving NIO to Commercial Ready

<b>Session 18-02: HelioCon Windload - Chair: Randy Brost (1:35 PM - 3:15 PM)</b>	
Matthew Emes	Impact of Heliostat Array Density on Boundary Layer Characteristics and Wind Loading
Matthew Emes	Effects of Atmospheric Boundary Layer Turbulence on Single Heliostat Wind Load Coefficients: Comparison of Field Measurements With Wind Tunnel Experiments
Brooke J. Stanislawski	Tracking Error at an Operational Concentrating Solar Power Plant
Ulrike Egerer	Dynamic Wind Loading on CSP Collectors: Insights from NREL's Measurements in Operational Parabolic Trough and Heliostat Fields
Matthew Emes	Wind Tunnel Study on the Effects of Ground Clearance Ratio on Heliostat Dynamic Wind Loads

<b>Session 18-03: HelioCon Solar Field - Chair: Matthew Muller (3:35 PM - 5:15 PM)</b>	
Alex Zolan	Forecasting Soiling-Related O&M Costs for Concentrating Solar Power Tower Plants
Jeremy Sment	Design of Experiment to Evaluate the Beneficial Effects of Heliostat Shading on Desert Ecosystems
Eirini Eleni Tsiropoulou	Heliocomm: A Wireless Communications Autonomous System for Concentrated Solar Power Fields
Kenneth Armijo	HelioCon Closed Loop Control: Extremum Seeking Control Small-Scale and Single Heliostat Testing

<b>Heliostat Consortium – WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 2024</b>	
<b>Session 18-04: HelioCon Heliostat Designs - Chair: Kenneth Armijo (9:05 AM - 10:05 AM)</b>	
Kyle Kattke	SunRing: Mirror Array Optimization and Prototyping
Ye Wang	Using an equivalent slope error to quantify different types of optical errors of a heliostat
Matthew Muller	Performance and Durability Testing of Advanced Composite Mirror Facets

<b>Session 18-05: HelioCon Modeling and Training - Chair: Stephanie Meyen (10:25 AM - 12:05 PM)</b>	
Chad Augustine	Impact of Temperature on Solar Industrial Process Heat Costs
Rebecca Mitchell	Modeling Receiver Flux of Commercial Power Tower Concentrating Solar Power Plants Using Ray Tracing: Benchmark Cases for Validation and Comparison of Ray-Trace Tools
Rebecca Mitchell	Heliostat Consortium: Updates on Resource, Training, and Education Development for the Concentrating Solar Power Community
Hameed Metghalchi	An Educational Program on Concentrated Solar Power and Heliostats for Power Generation and Industrial Process

**HelioCon 2024 Annual Workshop: Summary Session**  
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ROOM: Palos Verdes A  
Wednesday, July 17, 2024

Time	Agenda Item	Speaker/Facilitator
1:30 PM – 1:35 PM	Welcome	Guangdong Zhu
1:35 PM – 2:20 PM	Highlights from Topic Area technical work	Guangdong Zhu (NREL work) – 15 mins Jeremy Sment (Sandia work) – 15 mins Matthew Emes (ASTRI progress) – 10 mins Craig Turchi (RFP round 1 project summary) – 10 mins
2:20 PM – 3:10 PM	Intro to awarded RFP Round 2 Projects	RFP Round 2 Project overview (3 min each) PIs to be determined
3:10 PM – 3:30 PM	Break	
3:30 PM – 6:15 PM	Program Discussion with All: Progress on Roadmap Gaps and Looking Ahead	Craig Turchi