

Newsletter



Dear Railway Professionals and Associates,

The International Heavy Haul STS Conference is drawing near, and we are looking forward to seeing you in Narvik on 10-14 June. Days are busy at the Conference HQ, but preparations are on track and every effort will be made to create an enjoyable and fruitful conference experience.

We are happy to say that so far 430 delegates from 30 different countries have registered for the conference. In addition to this we have exhibitors and speakers, in total approx. 500 registrations. This augurs well for our discussions and the exchange of know-how and ideas.

Please note that registration has now closed. Our team in the secretariat work hard to provide accommodation in Narvik and the surrounding area. Should you have any questions, please contact the conference secretariat at secretariat@ihha2019.com.

We received a staggering 472 abstracts from 24 countries for the IHHA STS 2019. The Technical Committee would like to thank all authors for their time and effort in submitting a contribution, and your willingness to share experiences and expertise.

Each abstract was reviewed and scored by reviewers, and the top 151 abstracts were selected for oral presentations. The next 57 best abstracts were selected to be invited for poster presentation.

A detailed Conference Program is now [available for download](#) at the conference website. Please note that there could still be last-minute adjustments to the schedule, and that updates will be published on the website.

We would also like to acknowledge and thank our sponsors and exhibitors for supporting the conference. Without their support, this conference would not have been possible.

It is too early to say whether shorts or sweaters will be called for when you arrive. Arctic weather is fickle, and we recommend you bring both. Not to mention sunglasses, in case you should consider a midnight stroll.

The spectacular nature, the unique Ofoten Line and Narvik's vibrant Navy heritage – all will combine to provide an exciting and exotic backdrop to your conference experience, and we would like to extend a very warm welcome. See you in Narvik!

Best regards,

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