

Advances in Process Automation and Control 2019

18–20 November 2019, Manchester, UK

Conference programme



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Introduction



On behalf of the technical committee, I would like to welcome you to Advances in Process Automation and Control 2019.

Our emphasis for this year's conference is new technologies, new solutions to old problems, and the new challenges faced by the process industries. Presenters and attendees will gain a clearer insight into best practices and emerging technologies in process automation, particularly emerging areas of IoT, machine learning, security, big data analytics and smart manufacturing.

The last 40 years have seen continual growth in the use of automation and control technologies in process manufacturing. These changes have enabled higher process performance, reduced operating risk, and improved staff productivity but the pace of change continues to accelerate and is increasingly daunting. We hope that this conference will help you to explore these changes and their implications and to get the inside track on the explosion of data, technology and innovation that's coming our way.

Attendees at this conference will have a unique chance to share and develop their knowledge of process automation and control methods, make new contacts, meet like-minded professionals and foster new collaborations. I encourage you to make the most of your time here and I look forward to speaking to you.

Chris Hamlin

Chair of technical committee

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Maurice Wilkins (Executive Advisor, Yokogawa)

Plenary speakers



In recent years, there has been much discussion of machine learning and AI as new technologies improve process manufacturing performance.

Brian Parsonnet, CTO and Founder, Seeq, will address the challenges and some approaches for overcoming them with the aim of helping attendees understand critical success factors.



Whilst there is much guidance available on cyber security, there is no established relevant good practice in the UK. The Health and Safety Executive has recently released updated guidance that seeks to provide a basis for regulation of cyber security in the process industries. Nic Butcher, HM Specialist Inspector (Electrical, Control & Cyber Security), HSE, will discuss the basis for this guidance, and how it will be used for regulation of cyber security risk management.



A founder member of IChemE's Process Management and Control SIG, **Professor Jonathan Love** thinks of himself as an industrialist in academic's clothing. He has committed the last 25 years of his career to delivering an MSc in Process Automation and is the author of the *Process Automation Handbook*. Here he will share some of the lessons he has learned and talk about practising what he preaches

Monday 18 November 2019

09:00 -10:00	Registration
10:00 –11:25	Workshop: A hands-on demonstration of process optimisation using machine learning techniques - Matthew McEwan, Perceptive Engineering
11:25 –11:45	Break
11:45 –13:15	Workshop: A lecture and exercises on control schemes and strategies – the process of determination - Professor Jonathan Love, Imperial College London
13:15 –14:00	Lunch, exhibition and poster presentations
14:00 –14:15	Opening address
	Chris Hamlin, Chair of Organising Committee
14:15 –15:00	Plenary speaker
	Practising What I Preach
	Professor Jonathan Love, Imperial College London
15:00 –16:10	United Kingdom Automatic Control Council (UKACC) presentations
16:25 –17:30	Poster viewing and drinks reception, sponsored by BP

Tuesday 19 November 2019

08:30 -09:00	Registration		
09:00 -09:45	Plenary speaker Automation: extinction event or evolutionary force for plant operators? - Maurice Wilkins, Executive Advisor, Yokogawa		
Operator 4.0 -	Operator 4.0 - emerging technologies		
09:50 –10:15	Connected, integrated, digital field operator - making a step change in reducing human error - Karl Watson, Global Process Safety Product Manager, ABB Energy Industries		
10:15 –10:40	Closed-loop integration of planning, scheduling, and explicit control for continuous manufacturing - Vasileios Charitopoulos, Research Associate, Energy Policy Research Group, University of Cambridge		
10:40 -11:05	Refreshments, exhibiton and poster presentations		
11:05 –11:35	Advanced process control of an ethylamine process - Patrick Thorpe, Managing Director, Spiro Control Ltd		
11:35 –12:00	Use of modern analytics tools to evaluate variation reduction - Andrew Ogden-Swift, Director, Ogden-Swift Consulting Ltd		
12:00 –12:25	Digital transformation - an end-user perspective - Maurice Wilkins, Executive Advisor, Yokogawa		
12:25 –12:50	Lessons learnt in the connected plant and digital twins arena - the architecture - Martin Bragg, Chief Technology Officer, Honeywell Ltd		
12:50 –13:50	Lunch, exhibition and poster presentations		
13:50 –14:40	<i>Plenary: Cyber security - the regulator's perspective -</i> Nic Butcher, HM Specialist Inspector (Electrical, Control & Cyber Security), Health & Safety Executive		
Cyber security and new architectures			
14:40 –15:05	<i>Industrial cyber security enhancements</i> - Cevn Vibert, Global Director ICS Industrial Cyber Physical Security, Vibert Solutions		
15:05 –15:30	Resilient industrial networks – preparing for tomorrow's connectivity - Dr Naz Khaleque, Industrial Cybersecurity, Honeywell Industrial Cyber Security		

15:30–15:55	Refreshments, exhibition and poster presentations
16:00 –16:25	Intelligent device integration technology including cyber security for the new industrial world - Nick Garrett, Project Manager, FieldComm Group
16:25 –16:50	The ICS security journey - Nicky Jones, Security Lead and Director, NSRJ Consulting Ltd
16:50 –17:15	OT cyber security: the importance of a scaled approach - Thomas Olsen, Founder and Managing Director, Lagoni
From 19:00	Conference dinner served at 19:30, Blackhouse Grill on New York Street, New York Street Manchester M14 BD (ticket only)

Wednesday 20 November 2019

08:30 -09:00	Registration	
09:00 -09:50	Plenary speaker Addressing practical challenges of process analytics - Brian Parsonnet, CTO and Founder, Seeq	
Sustainability		
09:50 –10:15	Resource efficient decision-making tools for industry - Jonathan Cullen, Lecturer, University of Cambridge	
10:15 –10:40	<i>Economic model predictive control applied to a micro-grid</i> - Patrick Thorpe & Andrew McGuire, Spiro Control Ltd	
10:40 –11:05	Improving resource efficiency of industrial processes using digital twin - Vicente Rios, Senior Consultant and Group Leader, Process Simulation Europe, Emerson Automation Solutions	
11:10 –11:35	Refreshments, exhibiton and poster presentations	
Business integration and the complete digital twin		
11:35 –12:00	The whole plant digital twin: what can semantic technologies contribute? - David Cameron, Centre Coordinator, SIRIUS Centre for Scalable Data Access, University of Oslo	
12:00 –12:25	Closing the gap between planning and control: a multi-scale MPC cascade approach - Andrew Trenchard, Engineering Fellow, Honeywell Controls Ltd	
12:25 –12:50	A block-chain modelling approach for the digital food value chain - Dr Evgenia Mechleri, University of Surrey	
12:50 –13:50	Lunch, exhibition and poster presentations (includes Process Management & Control SIG AGM at 13:15)	
13:50 –14:20	Honeywell presentation	
14:20 –14:45	A practical application of a digital twin - integrating simulation into daily operations to minimize lost profit - Andrew McIntee, Marketing Manager, KBC (A Yokogawa Company)	
14:45 –15:10	Advanced process control of a pharmaceutical granulation process - a digital design approach - Mihai Rascu, Senior Engineer, Perceptive Engineering Ltd	
15:10 –15:35	Intelligent digital operations - incorporating deep process knowledge within plant automation systems - Chris Leingang, Business Development Manager, Siemens Plc	
15:35 –16:00	Advanced process control in society - Howard Boder, Consultant Process Control, Newland Control and Brian Neve, Director, Spiro Control Limited	
16:00-16:30	Closing session	

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Poster Presentations

Digital design and operation of continuous crystallization processes via mechanistic modelling

Mihai Rascu, Senior Engineer, Perceptive Engineering Ltd, UK

Optimisation of the gas distribution of a wastewater treatment plant: a mixed integer linear programming approach

Harry Laing, PhD Researcher, Newcastle University, UK

Detecting valve stiction using machine learning algorithms trained on features extracted from time series

Harrison O'Neill, PhD Student, University of Chester, UK

The state of industrial cyber security

Ben Dickinson, Global Program Manager for Cyber Security, Energy Industries, ABB, UK

How the digital transformation can support the chemicals industry

Will Leonard, UK Digital Lead, Energy Industries, ABB, UK

LNG monetizing improvement based on real timed process efficiency and automations

Nazatul Sheema Che Din, Petronas, Malaysia

Resourceful investment decisions: providing a richer understanding of operational resource efficiency in process industries

Ana Gonzalez Hernandez, Resource Efficiency Consultant, Emerson Process Management, UK

Application of an automated process model for online equipment performance monitoring in LNG complex

Timothy Nex Ak Betin, Petronas, Malaysia

Multi-objective design of distributed energy systems under uncertainty

Ishanki De Mel, University of Surrey, UK

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