WP 10 meeting report 2021

Due to the pandemic emergency which imposed the virtual modality for the second year, the attendants decreased around 20 persons virtually connected (almost half than previously), less active and less participative to the discussion, also in comparison with the last year.

The number of attendants was 16-25 (mostly 19), subdivided for days were:

25-30 persons at the JS with Marine corrosion.

20-24 persons the first day WP10

18 persons the second-day session WP 10.

The presentations were 13 plus 3 posters, the lowest for the last 5 years.

The joint session held before the regular session with WP Marine Corrosion had a good success of audience (~25-30 persons), confirming the strict interrelationship with microbial corrosion. It will be proposed for the next year again, avoiding overlapping with the session marine corrosion if possible. It is also proposed to attempt a joint session with drinking water and to try again for a joint session with Oil and Gas, in spite it seems more difficult to attract abstracts for this joint session (no abstracts were submitted this year indeed). As alternative to the joint sessions, for the next year, it might be organized a workshop in collaboration with other WPs, in conjunction with the COST action n. 20130 "Euro-MIC" on microbial corrosion issues, just launched this summer.

This COST action was presented during the Business meeting by the coordinators (Andrea Koerdt – BAM and Torben Skovhus – VIA), inviting the attendants of the meeting to join in it.

The discussion continued on publications in peer-reviewed journals. It was proposed to possibly promote both special issues on MIC for open access journals (such as Frontiers and others of MDPI) and for journals that publish free of charges such as Electrochimica Acta or Bioelectrochemistry. Attendants of Eurocorr will be invited to submit papers for the special issues that will be promoted.

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