



TRIBOLOGY TECHNICAL CHAPTER FOR LATIN AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN

In the last meeting that have the ASME for Latin America and the Caribbean the April 19 passed in Lima, had opening the tribology technical chapter for LA&C. To develop this new technical chapter had the support of various countries interested in participating of it benefits that offers the Tribology.

On the three tribology's pillars fundamental as are the study of the friction, wear and the lubrication we have an objective to form a representative community of each Latin-American country and the Caribbean.

The incentive of the investigation and productive application of the tribology are the main vision of this Technical Chapter.

It thinks to organize a representative annual event of this Chapter where they come experiences they to share, research and development in these three fundamental fields, and the inevitable repercussion in the evolution that can suffer the Preventive and Proactive Maintenance in industries and company's.

The objective of the tribology technical chapter is:

- To promote Congresses, seminars, forums and technical courses related to the area.
- To promote the research and technological development in Tribology.
- To identify technical activities by creating partnerships with Universities, Institutes, Corporations and Government.
- To demonstrate research through technical conferences.

These events will be directed at ASME members and also to other interested people. By creating this chapter, the intention is to grow a community that has strong ties throughout the world. Knowing that Tribology is potentially a source to save financial resources, raw materials and energy it is indispensable that we give it the importance that this science deserves for all LA&C.



Photo 1: Annual meeting ASME LA&C 2004



Photo 2: Opening of the Tribology Technical Chapter for LA&C
(From left: C. Lassare, C. Lasarte, O. Linares, E. Aulestia)

PLANNING OF ACTIVITIES:

After the creation of the technical chapter the following activities are planned:

- A) Creation of a group of coordinators in each Latin American and Caribbean country that have interest in this technical chapter, with an overall chairperson.
- B) Identification of requests, specific needs and opportunities in each country interested in all the areas that involve Tribology.
- C) To develop partnerships with corporations, universities, institutes and government that deal with areas involving Tribology.
- D) Creation of a Webpage (on ASME Webpage) for this technical chapter and the organization of a technical forum in tribology for the exchange of information in English and Spanish.
- E) To organize and execute an annual Latin-American Congress for Technical Chapter in Tribology in each member country jointly with the Tribology Technical Division.
- F) Once the needs are determined, training will be determined and courses offered by means of the global training program and the instructors authorized by ASME.



Photo 3: From left, M. Michaud, O. Linares, E. Aulestia

This Technical Chapter requires the support compromised on the Tribology division and ASME, without your participation many activities can't would developed.

At present many persons and institutions are beginning to show your interest in forming part of this technical chapter.

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