



# TC Thermometry Activities and highlights

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# Agenda



- Introduction to TC-T
- Annual meeting, technical and engagement workshops
- Highlights for TC-T community
  - Tempmeko 2016
  - New kelvin projects (more in 2018)
- Impact of reliable Humidity and moisture measurement
- Plans for 2017 2018





# Introduction to TC-T





#### Introduction to the TC-T



- Main field thermometry (NPL)
- Sub committee on humidity (INRIM, [LMK vice convenor])
- Working groups on
  - Cmc review (NPL)
  - Strategy (CEM)
  - Best practice and guides (SMD)
  - Thermophysical quantities (CNAM-LNE [SMU])





TC-T 2017, Annual meeting, technical and engagement workshops



### Annual meeting: 25-28 April 2017



Hosted by CEM, Madrid – around 70 delegates



Next meeting: 24-27 April 2018, RISE, Sweden



# Two 0.5 day workshops prior to TC-T plenary



- Technical workshop air temperature measurement
  - Organised by Stephanie Bell (NPL) and Davor Zvizdic (FSB)
  - 5 presentations + active contact person involvement
  - Led to formation of TC-T TG on air temperature measurement
- Engagement workshop
  - TG convenors, CB and STAIR coordinators short presentations
  - Contact person discussions about strengthening engagement with TGs, CB, STAIR
- 2018 technical workshops; on thermal imaging, ice & sea temperature measurement





# Highlights for TC-T community

- Tempmeko 2016
- New kelvin projects (more in 2018)





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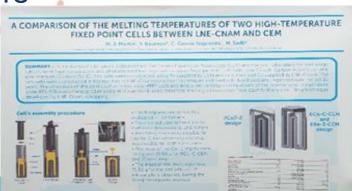
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### Tempmeko 2016





- Held25 June 1 July 2016
- GM joint-chair of International Programme Committee
- Covered all areas and applications: temperature, humidity and moisture, thermophsyical quantities, meteorology, industry, medicine.....
- >370 paritcipants from 46 countries
- >180 oral presentations, >180 posters



# The two Implementing the new kelvin (InK) projects



- Together cover the temperature range ~1mK to 3000 K
- Objective
- EMRP: InK-1 Sep 2012 Oct 2015
- EMPIR: InK-2 Jun 2016 May 2019
- Strong cooperation between Euramet and ex-EU NMIs

   essential to lead the world thermometry community
   to implement a successful redefinition
- Realisation phase post implementation after May '19

# Most major institutes in the world in primary thermometry are contributing to the InK activity











































### InK-2: June 2016-May 2019



#### Key activities

Primary thermometry (complete primary temperature evaluation from 0.0009 K to ~3000 K for MeP-K-19)

- $T-T_{90}$ 
  - ~300 K 1358 K: high temperature acoustic thermometry and low temperature primary radiometry
  - ~1 K 200 K: acoustic thermometry, dielectric constant gas thermometry, refractive index thermometry
- $T-T_{2000}$ 
  - T from 0.02 K to 0.0009 K, completing full T- $T_{2000}$  evaluation
  - Practical primary thermometers for direct T dissemination (<1 K)</li>

#### Dissemination

- CCT workshop 2019, definitive contributions to MeP-K-19
  - Including worlds lowest uncertainty T- $T_{90}$  and T- $T_{2000}$



# Impact of reliable humidity and moisture measurement

(thanks to Vito Fernicola (INRIM) and Doman Hudoklin (LMK))



#### **Outline**



- Humidity and moisture metrology challenges
  - Challenges related to standards
  - Emerging metrology requirements
  - Applications
- Across four main measurement areas
  - Relative humidity measurements
  - Dew / frost point measurements (e.g. energy gases)
  - Moisture measurements (in materials)
  - Water activity measurements (e.g. pharma and food)



## Challenges related to Standards



- Definition of relative humidity in terms of fundamental thermodynamics quantities (relative fugacity, atomic and molecular interactions etc.)
- Harmonization of the existing measurement methods, and of improved standards, effectively tying them to SI
- Robust SI-tied traceability of water activity to a bulk properties (water mass fraction)
- More robust measurement uncertainties

# **Emerging Metrology Requirements**



- Relative humidity measurements
- Data on the effect of the operating conditions on sensors (e.g., hysteresis, drift)
- Humidity realisations at low pressure (< 200 mbar) and low temperature (below -40 ° C)
- Dynamic behaviour of sensors under transient conditions



# **Applications**



- Relative humidity measurements
  - Robust and stable process sensors for harsh industrial environments (metallurgy, drying, baking, etc.)
  - Accurate upper air humidity (and temperature)
     measurements for climate and meteorology research



## **Emerging Metrology Requirements**



- Moisture in materials
  - Primary realisations for water mass fraction and amount fraction
  - Development of new certified reference materials (CRMs)
  - Improvement in gravimetric, coulometric and KF measurements
    - lack of robust traceability

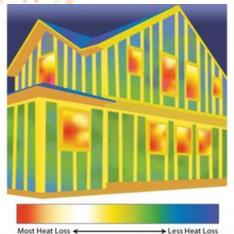


# **Applications**



- Moisture in materials
  - Pharmaceutical and food industry (product manufacture, packaging, storage)
  - Moisture content monitoring and control for bio-refineries and bio-fuel production
  - Energy performance of buildings









# Plans for 2017 - 2018





#### Plans for 2017 - 2018



- Begin transition to new chair Q3 '17
- Preparation of new JRPs; e.g. Industrial thermometry Progress towards the redefined kelvin
  - CCT (31 May 2 June 2017), InK 2
- Begin planning for EMPIR 2018 e.g. realisation of redefined kelvin "Real-K", PRT in SI broader scope?
- Capacity Building: Training
  - Proposed 2018 Summer School for next generation of thermal metrologists – "rolling participation"
- Implementing KCDB 2.0 ...
- Revision of TC-T area roadmaps mid '18 to link with the coordination strategy



## **Emerging Metrology Requirements**



- Dew/frost point temperature measurements
  - Humidity realisation in different carrier gases (e.g. H<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, SF<sub>6</sub>, etc.) at process pressure and temperature
  - Key comparison of humidity realisations at low (frost point) temperatures (-60° to -100° C)



## **Applications**



- Dew/frost point temperature measurements
  - High-purity, contaminant-free, process gases used in the semiconductor industry for microelectronics fabrication
  - Measurement of humidity content in energy-carrier gases (H2, CH4) and in electric power facilities (SF6)







### **Emerging Metrology Requirements**



- Water activity measurements
  - Water activity measurement (ERH) techniques for in-line measurements
  - Dynamic behaviour of sensors under transient conditions
  - Comparison of methods and measurement realizations
  - Advances in heat and mass transfer modelling and sample management (moisture profiles)



# **Applications**



- Water activity measurements
  - Pharmaceutical and food industry (in-line measurements and moisture flux)
  - Heat treatment processes involve water transfer detection (baking, drying)
  - Food industry for better correlation between water content and product shelf-life





