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New STLE Report Maps Future Trends in Tribology and Lubricants

STLE builds on a multiphase research effort to evaluate current trends and predict future developments impacting tribology and lubrication engineering field

PARK RIDGE, Illinois (July 13, 2020) – The Society of Tribologists and Lubrication Engineers ([STLE](https://www.stle.org)) — the premier technical society serving the needs of the tribology and lubrication engineering business sector — is pleased to announce the release of its [2020 Report on Emerging Issues and Trends in Tribology and Lubrication Engineering](#). The 70-page report builds on STLE's multiphase research effort to evaluate current trends and predicts future developments impacting the field of tribology and lubrication engineering that was first conducted in 2014. Input was obtained from nearly 1,000 technical experts around the world.

The report summarizes key findings on trends in transportation, energy, manufacturing and medical/health, while also touching on issues including the workforce, research funding, materials costs and availability, safety, the environment and basic human needs, and government regulations. All of these trends have the objective of increasing the level of sustainability which is a concept with multiple definitions that is growing in importance.

The tribology and lubrication engineering field is focused on achieving better efficiency, improved productivity and reduce energy use which are all goals consistent with sustainability. This trend toward sustainability will require the tribology and lubrication engineering field to develop new solutions for challenges in transportation, energy, manufacturing and medical/health. The 2020 Emerging Trends Report provides details on the challenges faced by the tribology and lubrication field and an update on the search for solutions.

The 2020 Report on Emerging Issues and Trends in Tribology and Lubrication Engineering was in the final phase of preparation when the full extent of the COVID-19 pandemic became apparent. The health crisis has adversely affected the tribology and lubricants business globally that will also impact the various sectors covered in the report.

STLE's Emerging Issues and Trends in Tribology and Lubrication Engineering report is now available in print and digital formats. To order the report, click [here](#), visit www.stle.org or call (847) 825-5536.

About the Society of Tribologists and Lubrication Engineers (STLE)

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in technical research, education, and professional development delivered through programming, courses, events and periodicals on topics most important to you: safety, energy usage, maintenance, natural resources, wear and productivity.

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