



ITCO December 2020 Newsletter

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1. ITCO Divisional Meetings – January 2021

ITCO's Membership consists of four Divisions: Operators, Leasing Companies, Manufacturers and Service Providers. All ITCO Members are members of one of these four Divisions.

Normally, Meetings of these four Divisions take place at our Annual Meeting - when Members of each Division can discuss issues of common interest and propose future ITCO projects and activities.

As it has not been possible to organise a Members Meeting this year, we will now be organising the Divisional Meetings as Video Calls in January. Arrangements, dates and agenda are as follows:

Practical Arrangements

- The Meetings will be organised using Zoom.
- Each Meeting will last about **about 1 hour**
- Members will need to register to participate in their Meeting.
- Divisional Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen will moderate the sessions, manage the agenda, etc.

Agenda

- The aim of the Meetings is to permit Members of each Division to discuss common issues and consider future ITCO projects.
- Members will be invited to propose items for the Agenda of their meeting.
- The Agenda for each Divisional Meeting will be prepared and circulated in advance

Dates

- The meetings will take place as follows (two meetings per day, times to be confirmed):

Tuesday 19 January 2021: Operators and Leasing Companies

Wednesday 20 January 2021: Manufacturers and Service Providers

Registration

- Members will need to register to participate in their Members Meeting
- Further information and registration details will be sent out in early January.

2. Tank Container Village at *transport logistic 2021*, Munich – Status update

Next year's *transport logistic 2021* exhibition is still scheduled to take place in Munich, from 4-7 May 2021. While recognising the uncertainties about travel, events and public meetings throughout Europe next year, arrangements are going ahead to organise the Tank Container Village at the Show.

In view of the uncertainty caused by the Covid-19 Pandemic, the ITCO Secretariat is continuing to monitor the situation very closely. We are in regular contact with MEPLAN (the Exhibition Stand Managers) and Messe München (the Event Organisers).

The Secretariat has been informed that a decision will be made about the event "in January". In the meantime, ITCO is continuing to take bookings for Members who wish to reserve a stand in the Village.

There is no financial commitment yet– reservations are only on a "provisional" basis (no invoices issued or payment required before February 2021). If the decision is taken to go ahead with the exhibition, we will contact all the Members who have booked stands and proceed with invoicing and other arrangements. This will be at the end of January 2021.

To make a booking, please download the Stand Booking Form from the ITCO website (click here: [ITCO VILLAGE](#)). Or email: ines.hakala@meplan.de

Of course, if we have any news before then, we will make a further announcement to Members.

3. ITCO's ACC 4th Edition (2017) – now published with a new design

The 4th edition of ITCO's ACC (Acceptable Container Condition) Inspection Guidance was published in September 2017.

The document has now had a re-design – so that it is in line with ITCO's other Technical Guidance documents, to reflect ITCO's professional image.

No changes have been made to ACC criteria. A few minor editorial clarifications have been incorporated into the introduction. Accordingly, the newly designed format continues as the 2017 edition

Members will be aware that ACC Inspection Guidance provides guidance to determine the acceptable condition of a general-purpose tank and guidance for when the condition of a tank component should be repaired. ACC is designed for use when tanks are inspected at the time of interchange between one party to another, such as between owner, operator, lessee, shipper, service provider depot and carrier.

To download a copy of the re-designed document, click on this link: [ITCO ACC](#).

4. ITCO Webinars: Presentations available to download

ITCO has organised three Webinars during the September to November period, replacing the Work Group sessions that would normally take place at a Members Meeting.

- Sustainability
- Technical/Regulatory
- Safety

Further Webinars are planned for next year – details to be announced soon. In the meantime, Members may download the presentations that were made during the Webinar – click here: [WEBINAR PRESENTATIONS](#)

5. 2021 ITCO Tank Container Fleet Survey

Work will commence shortly on the 2021 ITCO Tank Container Global Fleet Survey.

As usual, the ITCO Secretariat request to provide information and updates on fleet sizes and production. The Report will be published end-February.

6. ITCO Publications and Guidelines

The ITCO website provides Members with access to a number of resources, including:

- Technical guidance documents
- Presentations made at Members Meetings and in Webinars
- The Tank Container E-Learning Course

The up-take of e-learning courses continue to progress, with a number of companies placing bulk orders for multiple courses – one company recently ordered 100 courses, benefiting from the bulk discount, which will enable most of their personnel to undertake it.

ITCO Members are reminded that each member company is offered two free Tank Container E-learning Courses. If you haven't already taken up this offer, further information can be obtained from the Course manager, Exis Technologies – please contact: Melanie.Stephenson@existec.com

7. “Reduce, Re-Use, Recycle with an ISO Tank”

Members are encouraged to use the “Reduce, Re-Use, Recycle with an ISO Tank” image that was presented during the recent Sustainability Work Group webinar.

The image can be used in an email “signature”, it can be included in websites, brochures and advertisements. And it can be displayed on the side of a tank container.

Different versions of the image are available to download to suit your requirements – please click on this link, which will take you to the ITCO Page: [REDUCE](#)

8. ITCO on Twitter

ITCO has an active Twitter account. In addition to the more “traditional” method of communicating to Members by email, we also use Twitter to send out relevant news and announcements. To follow ITCO on Twitter, click here: [TWITTER](#)

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