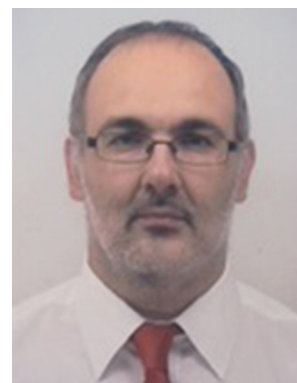

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GiTE 2018, Thermoelectricity Days

The sixth edition of the Italian workshop GiTE 2018 (*Giornate della Termoelettricità*, Thermoelectricity Days) was held in Santa Margherita Ligure, Italy, on February 21–22, 2018. This national topical meeting, taking place yearly, aims at creating a network among researchers of the Italian scientific community working in the field of thermoelectricity. Participants from academia, industry, and government laboratories shared in their presentations their latest results and projects. Time was also scheduled for round tables about future developments and collaborations. The focus of the conference covered all aspects of thermoelectricity, specifically materials, composites, devices, modules, and advanced characterization methods; both theoretical and experimental studies were presented. Such a broad and multifold approach allowed participants to emphasize the complementary and mutually relevant character of the different contributions and to offer promising hints and ideas for future synergic activities.

This issue of the *Journal of Materials Engineering and Performance* contains a special section where extended versions of selected communications held at GiTE 2018 are collected. Original and state-of-the-art results in the field of thermoelectricity are presented

and further shared with the scientific community with the goal of promoting further collaborative endeavors crossing the national borders.

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