

## **INTERNATIONAL BIODETERIORATION RESEARCH GROUP**

### **Functional Fluids (FF) Project Group: Annual Report 2018**

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The FF Project Group met twice in the 2018 period. Eighteen participants attended a meeting in April in Athens, Greece, and seventeen participants attended in October in Prague, Czech Republic.

The work of the group in 2018 was focused on the development of a standard test method for textile spin finishes. The test development focused on the introduction of biofilm formation in the test set-up as well as mimicking the in-use situation in the plant, where the used spin finish is replenished during the industrial process. Both ideas were tried in one lab and generated interesting results and new ideas for method development.

Two methods to generate data to support claims of basic efficacy relevant to the European Biocidal Product Regulation concerning actives substances for liquid-cooling and processing systems (Product type 11) and actives substances acting as slimicides (Product type 12) were brought forward and discussed.

The secretary of the group resigned and a new secretary was elected unanimously. The chair thanked the former secretary for her many years of excellent work for the group and wished her all the best for the future in another industry.

One of the members of the IBRG investigated a method which

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