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# CETOP – 60 years in service of the European Fluid Power Industry



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CETOP General Assemblies 1962 to 1996

# 60 years of CETOP – the beginning

## Foundation 15 June 1962 in Stockholm, Sweden

- Founding members are fluid power associations from Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK
- Victor Pomper, France, is elected CETOP President, Heinz Hahn, Germany, is elected CETOP Vice President
- CETOP General Secretary is Jean-Marie Cordier from the French member association S.C.T.H.P.

## The first CETOP Commissions

### ★ CETOP Economic Commission

- Founded in Oestrich, Germany, on 19 May 1961
- Chairman: B. Nève, Belgium
- Secretariat: FABRIMETAL, Belgium

### ★ CETOP Technical Commission Oil Hydraulics

- Founded in Paris, France, on 11 December 1959
- Chairman: Victor Pomper, France
- Secretariat: S.C.T.H.P., France

### ★ CETOP Technical Commission Pneumatic Controls

- Founded in Duisburg, Germany, on 16 June 1961
- Chairman: Heinz Hahn, Germany
- Secretariat: VDMA, Germany



Welcome for CETOP at Hanover Fair 1965



Left to right  
from front: Mr.  
Mattone, Mr.  
Lane, Mrs. P.  
Gury, Mr. Park,  
Mr. Givélet, Mr.  
Matthey, Mrs.  
Hislop, Mr. P.  
Gury, Mrs. Lang



Conference of the CETOP Technical Commission  
Oil Hydraulics, Düsseldorf 1965





Oxford 2007



Munich 2008



Zurich 2011

## Some milestones of CETOP ...

- 1964:** A working group on trade fairs and exhibitions is set up within the CETOP Economic Commission.
- 1965:** The CETOP Economic Commission publishes a „Hydraulics manufacturers directory“.
- 1965:** The CETOP Board of Directors decides to request the establishment of an ISO Technical Committee for Oil Hydraulics and Pneumatics.
- 1966:** The CETOP Economic Commission decides that at each of its meetings an overview of the economic situation in the individual member countries should be given.
- 1971:** CETOP forms a standardization coordinating committee of seven members (the so-called „Council of Wise Men“) to deal with the new situation in standardization work created by the establishment of ISO/TC 131.
- 1972:** At the CETOP General Assembly in Munich in June 1972, it was decided to restructure the technical working groups of CETOP in accordance with the structure of ISO/TC 131. A CETOP President's Council was established, which was made up of the CETOP President, a Vice President for Oil Hydraulics and a Vice President for Pneumatics, the Chairman of the Economic Commission and the General Secretary.
- 1973:** It is decided to implement an exchange of statistics between the CETOP member associations.
- 1975:** The CETOP Economic Commission has taken on the task of influencing the formulation of the nomenclatures for the Worldwide Harmonized Commodity Code System (HS) and thus also the nomenclature for foreign trade statistics (NIMEXE).
- 1980:** The CETOP Group „Community Research“ is permanently integrated, a CETOP Vice President for Research is appointed.
- 1984:** On the occasion of „FLUMEX“ in Birmingham, a CETOP leaflet is published for the first time.
- 1988:** The „Hydraulics Technical Commission“ is newly established. It is responsible for standardization and Community research.
- 1991:** The need for a common strategy on professional training is felt. The Technical Commissions agree to form a special working group.



- 1992:** CETOP taking part at I.F.P.E. Chicago, Mecanolem Paris, I.F.P.E.X. Birmingham and Fluidtrans Compomac Milan.
- 1995:** New Working Group on European Directives.
- 1996:** CETOP publishes its first CETOP Position Paper "PP 01 EEC Directive – Safety of Machinery".
- 1997:** The International Statistics Committee, ISC, is founded on request of the International Fluid Power Summit meeting. Members: CETOP, CHPSA, JFPA, NFPA and TFPA.
- 1998:** Launching of the first CETOP Homepage.
- 1999:** The CETOP Directory is published in a new concept: With company and trade fairs advertisements and company profiles.
- 2002:** The CETOP Technical Recommendations are no longer available for purchase and are officially withdrawn. Several of them have been or are about to be superseded by ISO Standards.
- 2003:** It is agreed to formalize the position of the Education project resulting in an Education Commission instead of an Education Group, with a Vice President Education.
- 2005:** Launching of CETOP Education certificates for students and Education centres.
- 2007:** With the support of its member associations and its partners of ISC, CETOP succeeds in "Operation 2007" – The creation of a new class within the NACE 29.XX Manufacture of Fluid Power Equipment. Publication of the CETOP Education Booklet, a compilation of all CETOP Education Recommendations.
- 2008:** CETOP publishes its first Image-Flyer.
- 2009:** The Monthly-Exchange-on-Tendencies is launched as a leading indicator.
- 2012:** CETOP celebrates its 50 years anniversary at the CETOP General Assembly in Paris, France.
- 2015:** New CETOP website with new functionalities launched at MDA Hanover Fair.
- 2017:** CETOP Directory is available online as a flip book, as pdf-file and as a database, allowing a comfortable search for companies and products.
- 2021:** Establishing of CETOP Market Outlook Web Conferences on a regular basis.



Oslo 2012



Oxford 2014



Wroclaw 2015

- ★ 2010 Milan
- ★ 2011 Zurich
- ★ 2012 Paris
- ★ 2013 The Hague
- ★ 2014 Oxford
- ★ 2015 Wroclaw
- ★ 2016 Constance
- ★ 2017 Barcelona
- ★ 2018 Copenhagen
- ★ 2019 Cesky Krumlov
- ★ 2020 Web Conference
- ★ 2021 Web Conference
- ★ 2022 Antwerp

## CETOP General Assemblies – Jubilee events



Brussels 2002 · 40th anniversary of CETOP



Paris 2012 · 50th anniversary of CETOP

- ★ **June 1962, Stockholm, Sweden**
  - Foundation of CETOP
  - First President: Victor Pomper, France
- ★ **June 1972, Munich, Germany**
  - 10th anniversary of CETOP
  - President: R.E. Knight, Great Britain
- ★ **June 1982, Wiesbaden, Germany**
  - 20th anniversary of CETOP
  - President: C.L.G. Worn, Great Britain
- ★ **June 1992, Fellbach, Germany**
  - 30th anniversary of CETOP
  - President: Paolo Tirelli, Italy
- ★ **June 2002: Brussels, Belgium**
  - 40th anniversary of CETOP
  - President: Dr. Amadio Bolzani, Italy
- ★ **June 2012: Paris, France**
  - 50th anniversary of CETOP
  - President: Etienne Piot, France
- ★ **June 2022: Antwerp, Belgium**
  - 60th anniversary of CETOP
  - President: Stefan König, Germany

## CETOP Honorary Presidents:

- ★ **2007: Martin Weber, Germany**
- ★ **2013: Dr. Amadio Bolzani, Italy**

# CETOP Today:

On its 60th birthday, 19 fluid power associations from 17 European countries are belonging to CETOP. This includes more than 1,000 European companies with almost 70,000 employees and a market value of about 14 billion Euro.

## Benefits to CETOP members

CETOP offers support for the member associations and their associated companies in many different ways. CETOP is working closely together with the member associations and their companies – together with the industry for the benefit of the industry. To its members CETOP offers for example:



Wroclaw 2015



Constance 2016



Barcelona 2017

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Barcelona 2017



Cesky Krumlov 2019

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## Today's Commissions and their initiatives:

### ★ CETOP Economic Commission

- CETOP and ISC Statistics:
  - CETOP/ISC Monthly Exchange on Tendencies
  - CETOP/ISC Quarterly Trend Survey
  - CETOP Annual Product Statistics
- Cooperation with ISC (International Statistics Committee)
- CETOP Market Outlook web conferences

### ★ CETOP Education Commission

- Harmonised pan-European requirement profiles for particular qualification levels
- CETOP Education Recommendations
- CETOP Education Booklet

### ★ CETOP Marketing and Communication Commission

- CETOP website
- CETOP Directory
- CETOP Flyers
- Participation in exhibitions and conferences

### ★ CETOP Technical Commission

Monitoring, commenting and interpreting of the European regulations with a view to their impact on the FP industry

- REACH:
  - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
  - SCIP database on substances of very high concern in articles
- ECODESIGN Directive
  - ERP studies for machine tools and lifts
- Machinery Directive
- ROHS: scope, exceptions for lead in steel, aluminium and copper
- Pressure Directive: guidelines
- European Green Deal
- CETOP Position Papers, e.g.:
  - PP04 – Pressure Equipment Directive – PED – 2014/68/EU
  - PP07 – Machinery Directive (2006/42/EC)