Comments on the Continuous Assessment Activities – Group 02

1. Report:

- (a) The main aim of *Abstracts* is to briefly describe the work undertaken by the author. In general *Abstracts* are divided in 4 parts: (i) motivation, (ii) main objectives, (iii) summary of the main procedures / techniques / technologies (optional) and (iv) main findings.
- (b) The main *Introduction* section usually has the same (but more in-depth and descriptive) four parts of the *Abstract* and a brief summary of the remaining of the work. In addition, it is <u>always</u> expected a few clear statements -re main background (thus recent innovations related to the main topic), initial literature review and, most of all, technological / scientific gaps in the current understanding. Also, it is expected a summary of the remaining sections at the end of the *Introduction*.
- (c) Something can't be 'particularly ... unique' (page 3).
- (d) Very limited technical content.
- (e) Conclusions in different font to rest of text.
- (f) No figures or equations.
- (g) Very limited reference list and not referenced in the main text.
- (h) Avoid using colloquial (informal / personal) writing.
- (i) Regardless of the chosen citation style (e.g., ACS, AIP, AMS, IEEE, AIAA, etc) any reference **must** contain the following fields:
 - i. For journal papers: Authors, Paper Tittle, Journal Name, Volume, Pages, Year of publication;
 - ii. For books: Authors, Book Tittle, Publisher, Year or Edition;
 - iii. For book chapters: Authors, Chapter Tittle, Book Tittle, Editors, Publisher, Year or Edition;
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 - vi. For PhD Thesis and MSc Dissertations: Author, Tittle, Institution (University and Department/School), Year.

Thus, for example:

[1] P.L. Houtekamer and L. Mitchell, 'Data Assimilation Using an Ensemble Kalman Filter Technique', *Monthly Weather Review*, 126:796-811, 1998.

- [2] K. Pruess, 'Numerical Modelling of Gas Migration at a Proposed Repository for Low and Intermediate Level Nuclear Wastes', Technical Report LBL-25413, Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, Berkeley (USA), 1990.
- [3] K. Aziz, A. Settari, *Fundamentals of Reservoir Simulation*, Elsevier Applied Science Publishers, New York (USA), 1986.
- [4] R.B. Lowrie, 'Compact higher-Order Numerical Methods for Hyperbolic Conservation Laws', PhD Thesis, Department of Aerospace Engineering and Scientific Computing, University of Michigan (USA), 1996.

2. Oral Presentation:

- (a) Good time keeping.
- (b) Consistent/Uniform slides.
- (c) Delivery stuttered and unsure, probably due to nerves. Some speakers were low toned.
- (d) Slides over packed with text. Too many words on a slide makes the audience lose interest.
- (e) Delivery required more confidence and authority.
- (f) Very limited technical content of thermodynamics and no appropriate graphics used.
- (g) Be more enthusiastic, try to burst with enthusiasm, if you are not, your audience will not be enthusiastic to listen to you.