

# ATA Science and Technology Division

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**To: Board of Directors and Past Presidents**  
**From: Carola F Berger, S&TD Administrator,  
Mery Molenaar, S&TD Assistant Administrator**  
**Date: July 23, 2021**  
**Re: ATA Science & Technology Division Status Report July 2021**

## In brief

- Planning for ATA62 is underway. ATA HQ officially invited our nominated Distinguished Speaker, Prof. Nic Jelinski of the UMN Department of Soil, Water, and Climate. We are currently polling division members informally about whether they plan to attend ATA62 in person or not to guide informed planning of social events at ATA62.
- The nominating committee concluded its search for the new Division Administrator and Assistant Administrator. Current Assistant Administrator Mery Molenaar was nominated for Administrator, and Heike Holthaus, one of our current Blog Editors, was nominated for Assistant Administrator.
- At the end of April, we welcomed a new Facebook Co-Admin, Anees Gharzita, to the S&TD Leadership Council
- We were active on the groups.io e-mail forum (122 members, -7 members compared to April 2021), Facebook group (138 members, same as April 2021), Twitter feed (745 followers, +5 followers compared to April 2021), and LinkedIn group (149 members, +1 member compared to April 2021).
- At last count, we have 1738 division members (an increase of 78 members compared to April 2021).

## S&TD Leadership Council

- Carola F. Berger – Administrator, Facebook Co-Admin
- Mery Molenaar – Assistant Administrator
- Pavitra Baxi, Heike Holthaus – Blog Editors
- Anees Gharzita – Facebook Co-Admin
- Lebzy González – LinkedIn Manager
- Romina Marazzato Sparano – Twitter Admin
- Matthew Schlecht – Listserv Moderator
- Naomi Sutcliffe de Moraes – Webmaster