Combustion TCP Highlights

Policy messages

 Worldwide, more than 80% of the energy used is converted by combustion to usable forms for transportation, power generation, and industrial, commercial, and residential heat. Combustion will continue to be a significant part of the world energy mix for the foreseeable future and needs to be made sustainable with continued technology advancements and fuel decarbonization. Advanced combustion technologies offer pathways to zero carbon, carbon neutral, and reduced carbon emissions technologies for all the major energy sectors.

Achievements / Ongoing Activities

- Three new tasks (annexes) were initiated in 2021: a) System Analysis, b) Hydrogen and Its Vector Fuels (HVF), and c) net-Zero Carbon Engine Technology (n-ZCET). The new tasks respond to needs to develop new technologies to reduce carbon emissions and provide policy guidance.
- Coupled fundamental advanced combustion research results to policy recommendations through vehicle level systems analysis. Demonstrated 20% fuel economy improvement over diesel in a US Class 6 delivery application with advanced combustion.

Dissemination

• The project "Combining Low Temperature Combustion and Low Carbon E-fuels or Bio-fuels for Cleaner and More Efficient Transportation" was accepted for the "Today in the Lab, Tomorrow in Energy" initiative.

Collaboration

• The Combustion TCP in collaboration with the AMF TCP, and the H2 TCP, have proposed a lifecycle analysis of hydrogen-fueled ICEs for the IEA GREET+ Extension Project.