

## FOREWORD

The year's 2017 end is at hand, meaning it's time to summarize the highlights of the year. Towards the end of the year, we tribologists had two great reasons to celebrate. On 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017, The Finnish Society for Tribology reached the cornerstone of 40 years. The 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary was commemorated through an international seminar, after which the festivities continued with celebratory dinner and speeches. The day offered many interesting presentations, discussions and possibilities for networking. The readers of Finnish Journal of Tribology are provided with an overview of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary seminar. Just before the Christmas, professor Kenneth Holmberg from VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland Ltd received the highest international award in the tribology field, The Tribology Gold Medal Award. Finnish Journal of Tribology wants to congratulate Kenneth for this great achievement! This end-of-year issue therefore reviews the award declaration for the readers.

I hope the New Year will be as prosperous for the tribologists as the ending one.

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