The goal of this workshop is to present and discuss different modelling approaches in the field of the dynamic behaviour of materials and structures. An important objective is to consider original analytical models that are suitable for Finite Element codes to simulate dynamic engineering applications and original experiments, allowing for a better understanding. This is the first common annual international workshop organised since 2007. Selected papers will be published in Engineering Transactions journal.

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Themes
The workshop will cover both theoretical modelling of the mechanical behaviour of materials and structures under dynamic loading and all aspects related to friction and contact. There will be eight main themes:

- constitutive relations and modelling,
- numerical simulations,
- perforation and impact,
- crashworthiness,
- experiments and inverse methods,
- friction and interaction,
- surface and contact,
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