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# **Technologies of Coatings and Surface Hardening for Tool Industry II**

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Dear Colleagues,

The aim of this Special Issue is to provide a review of the current state of the research and developments in the field of coatings and surface hardening technologies for cutting and die tools that can ensure a substantial increase of the work resource and reliability of the tool; an increase in productivity of machining, accuracy, and quality of the machined products; reduction of the material capacity of the production; and other important manufacturing factors. The main emphasis should be on the results of the engineering works that have had success in laboratory or real manufacturing conditions.









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