From the Editor

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About this issue

Aerodynamics is often seen as the main driver for performance improvements of gliders since it determines the most important parameter, the glide ratio. But without progress in other engineering disciplines, such as lightweight construction, further enhancement of L/D, for example by increasing the wing aspect ratio, is not possible. Within this context, the following

article by Christoph Kensche deals with the lifetime calculation of fiber reinforced glider structures. A highly important issue for future sailplane designs. Enjoy reading "Numerical Comparison of Glider Load Spectra".

Very Respectfully,

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