

Welcome to IWJC-Korea 2007!

On Behalf of the committee of the IWJC-Korea 2007, I delightly announce and welcome you to the International Welding and Joining Conference to be held in Seoul, Korea from May 10 to 12, 2007.

The aim of this conference with the theme "Advanced Welding and Micro Joining/Packaging for the 21st Century" is to review and to discuss the state of the art related welding and joining/packaging technologies which are essential manufacturing technologies to produce various structures from compact to ultra large scale.

In the IWJC-Korea 2007, about 300 papers from 16 countries will be presented. These papers will cover the 9 professional areas including 'Automation of Welding', 'Micro-Joining and Packaging' and 'High Density Beam Energy Welding'. I am sure that all attendees will enjoy the conference with exchanging the advanced information on the research and development in welding, joining and related fields.

Also attendees will have opportunities to visit attractive industrial spot and to touch the Korean unique cultures. As known well, Industries of shipbuilding, Automobile and Electronics in Korea are holding high rank in the worldwide business. And Seoul is a historic area, where was a capital city of Yee-Dynasty for 700 years.

I cordially invite you to join and to share the advanced professional programs and friendship through IWJC-Korea 2007 and hope that you will take this chance to explore one of the most exciting and attractive countries in the world. I look forward to seeing you at IWJC-Korea 2007 in Seoul, Korea.

The Korean Welding and Joining Society (KWJS) is proud to hold the International Welding and Joining Conference-Korea 2007 in Seoul, Korea. This conference is designed to exchange the recent advances in welding and joining technologies and also to celebrate the 25th anniversary of KWJS.

During last few decades, there has been tremendous development in Korean industries such as Electronics, Shipbuilding and Automobile. To keep the pace with the growth of the related industries, KWJS had successfully held the first international conference in 2002 for celebrating the 20th anniversary. I believe that this is right time to review what we have achieved during last 5 years and to share new technologies with specialists and related industries.

Thanks to effective arrangement by members of organization and full support from welding societies of 9 countries, the professional programs of this conference is well prepared to cover the hot and interesting fields, and to forecast the future trend of welding and joining technologies and industries. And Participants from overseas will make another fruitful contribution.

KWJS has an ambition that this conference shall make a turning point to start the new era of welding and joining technologies. For this purpose, KWJS expects that all attendees, who are essential to make this conference successful, play an energetic role during the conference. Finally, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to any supporters for this conference.

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