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Tsukuba, Japan

**The Fifth (2003) ISOPE
Ocean Mining
Symposium**

**ISOPE
OMS-2003**
AIST Auditorium
Tsukuba, Japan
September 15-19, 2003

Technical Program
Invited and Peer-reviewed Papers

**Environment
Gas Hydrates
Exploration & Survey**

**Mining Systems & Technology
Deep-Ocean Water Upwelling
Processing Technology**

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Welcome to ISOPE OMS-2003

We greatly appreciate the excellent responses and help we have received from colleagues around the world in the successful organization of the 5th ISOPE Ocean Mining Symposium (ISOPE OMS-2003), Tsukuba, Japan, September 15–19, 2003. The symposium features **9 sessions of peer-reviewed papers** from 13 countries. This year the symposium introduces gas hydrates and upwelling and utilization of deep-ocean water in addition to deep-ocean exploration and survey, environment, mining systems, and processing systems.

The 1st (1995) ISOPE Ocean Mining Symposium (ISOPE OMS-95) was held in Tsukuba. An informal organizational meeting of **Ocean Mining Working Group (OMWG)** was held in Tsukuba, Japan, on November 22, 1995. At the meeting, representatives from 7 countries desired to have a close international cooperation and more exchange of the individuals' progress, and agreed to establish a non-governmental body, OMWG, which can also act as an informal channel among the governments: The OMWG concept got blessing from director generals of the participating governments: The U.S., Germany, Japan, IOM, Korea, India, France (joined later), and China (joined later).

The primary objectives of the OMWG are:

- to advance at an international level technological progress in the interdisciplinary field of ocean resources, environment and mining and related technologies, through international cooperation and participation;
- to disseminate scientific knowledge and provide timely exchange of technical knowledge and information;
- to provide opportunities through its programs for interested individuals to maintain and expand their knowledge in these fields for the benefit of engineering and scientific profession.

to facilitate opportunities or the members to interact with their governments. The International Society of Offshore and Polar Engineers (ISOPE) facilitates the OMWG activities.

The 2nd OMS-97, 3rd OMS-99 and 4th OMS-2001 were successfully held in Seoul, Korea, Goa, India and Szczecin, Poland, respectively, with participation from 13 countries.

On behalf of the International Organizing Committee, it is our pleasure to welcome all participants to the ISOPE OMS-2003 Symposium in Tsukuba.

<i>Co-chairmen of the ISOPE OMS-2003 Symposium</i>	
Jin S. Chung, USA	Tetsuo Yamazaki, Japan
Ryszard Kotlinski, Poland	

MONDAY September 15

15:00
OMS-2003 Executive Committee Meeting Okura Frontier Hotel

17:00
Ocean Mining Working Group (OMWG) Meeting Okura Frontier Hotel

For Tour Information (see the Bulletin board at Foyer)

TUESDAY September 16

08.30 -14.00
Symposium Registration AIST Auditorium

09:00
Opening Address AIST Auditorium

09.15 -10.30
1. OPENING SESSION AIST Auditorium

11.00-12.40
2. EXPLORATION AND SURVEY AIST Auditorium

13.00-14.00
OMS Lunch AIST Cafeteria Restaurant

14.00-16.30
3. DEEP-OCEAN WATER UPWELLING AIST Auditorium

18.00-20.00
OMS SYMPOSIUM BANQUET Okura Frontier Hotel

WEDNESDAY September 17

08:30 –10:30
4. MINING SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY I AIST Auditorium

11.00-13:00
5. MINING SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY II AIST Auditorium

13.00-14.00
OMS Lunch AIST Cafeteria Restaurant

14.00-15.30
6. GAS HYDRATES I AIST Auditorium

16.00-18.00
7. GAS HYDRATES II AIST Auditorium

Tuesday - Wednesday
Author Practice Session Room No. 2
On-site Registration AIST Auditorium

THURSDAY September 18

08:30-10:30
8. ENVIRONMENT AIST Auditorium

11.00-13:00

9. PROCESSING TECHNOLOGY	AIST Auditorium
13.00-14.00 OMS Lunch	AIST Cafeteria Restaurant
14.00-15.30 10. CLOSING SESSION	AIST Auditorium

FRIDAY, September 19

06.00 – 20.00
TECHNICAL TOUR: “TAKUMI” Deep-ocean Water Upwelling Plant, Sagami Bay and JAMSTEC, Yokosuka

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Kansai Society of Naval Architects of Japan (KSNAJ)
China Ocean Mineral Resources R&D Association (COMRA)

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TECHNICAL PROGRAM

Opening Address

Tuesday 09:00 AIST Auditorium

Deep-ocean Mining Technology: A Learning Curve

Jin S. Chung, Ocean Mining Working Group (OMWG), ISOPE, Cupertino, California, USA

Welcome Address

Tuesday 09:10 AIST Auditorium
Teruo Kumagai, Tokyo University of Science, Tokyo, Japan

1. OPENING SESSION

Tuesday 09:15 AIST Auditorium

Chair: T. Yamazaki, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba, Japan

Co-Chair: G. Schriever, BIOLAB Forschungsinstitut, Hohenwestedt, Germany

Deep-sea Resources as the Heritage for the Future

Ryszard Kotlinski, Technical University of Szczecin and Interoceanmetal Joint Organization, Szczecin, Poland

Introduction of MH21 (Research Consortium for Methane Hydrate Resources in Japan) and Current Topics in Production Method and Modeling of Methane Hydrate

Hideo Narita, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Sapporo, Japan

Past and Current Challenges of Deep Ocean Water Utilization for Marine Nutrition

Masayuki Mac Takahashi and Tohru Ikeya, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

2. EXPLORATION AND SURVEY

Tuesday 11:00 AIST Auditorium

Chair: R. Kotlinski, IOM, Szczecin, Poland

Co-chair: Kokichi Iizasa, National Inst of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba, Japan

Geological Survey of Cobalt-rich Manganese Crusts Using a Camera-Monitored Drill Machine (BMS): Hakurei-maru II Cruise SOPAC2002 in the Marshall Islands Area.

A Usui, Kochi Univ, Kochi, Japan; K Matsumoto, Deep Ocean Resources Development Co, Ltd, Tokyo; M Sekimoto, Metal Mining Agency of Japan, Tokyo; N Okamoto, South Pacific Applied Geoscience Committee, Suva, Fiji

Metallogenic Region in the Izu-Ogasawara (Bonin) Arc, Northwestern Pacific

K Iizasa, Natl Inst of AIST, Tsukuba, Japan

Effect of Marine Phosphatization on Element Concentration of Cobalt-Rich Crusts

J Pan, Inst of Mineral Resources, CAGS, Beijing, China; E Decarlo, Univ of Hawaii, Honolulu, USA; S Liu, Inst of Mineral Resources, CAGS, Beijing, China

PGM and Other Accessory Minerals in Fm Hydrogenous Crusts-Placer Mechanism of Accumulation [Proceedings Only]

Mikhail P. Torokhov, Lidya I. Anikeeva, Department of mineral resources of the Ocean, VNIIOkeangeologia, Russia

3. DEEP-OCEAN WATER UPWELLING

Tuesday 14.00 AIST Auditorium

Chair: Koji Otsuka, Osaka Prefecture University, Sakai, Japan

Co-chair: Nai-Kuang Liang, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan

A Preliminary Study on Air-Lift Artificial Upwelling Induced by Air-Bubble Screen

Nai-Kuang Liang and Hai-Kuen Peng, National Taiwan University, Taipei, TAIWAN, China

Ocean Nutrient Enhancer “TAKUMI” for the Experiment of Fishing Ground Creation

Kazuyuki Ouchi, Ouchi Ocean Consultant, Inc., Karuizawa, Japan

Concept for a Wave Driven Mechanical Artificial Upwelling Device

Roger Handschuh, Gerald Schneider, Enno Sebastian Schulte, Universität Siegen, Siegen, Germany

Research Plan for Assessment of the Effectiveness of Fertilizing Sea Area by Utilizing Deep Ocean Water - A Trial in the Project for the Development of Fishing Grounds by Applying Deep Ocean Water

Seiichi Kanamaki, Yasuharu Uemura, Hisaaki Ohmura, Fuyo Ocean Development and Engineering Co.,Ltd., Tokyo; Tatsuo Suzuki, Ashcrete Corporation, Tokyo; Yoichi Honda, Hazama Corporation, Tokyo; Yuko Oshima, PASCO Environmental Science Institute, Tokyo; Ichiro Yasuda, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

MF 21 ONE Project - Long Compliant Steel Riser Pipe Installation and Model Basin Studies (Oral Presentation Only)

Satoshi Masuda, JFE SOLDEC Corporation, Yokohama; Masayuki Yonezawa, JFE Engineering Corporation, Tokyo; Masao Morikawa, Universal Shipbuilding Corporation, Tsu, Japan

Development of an Evaluation Technique for Detecting the Pumped-Up Deep-Ocean Water at Subsurface Layer - A Preliminary Experiment to Trace the Behavior of the Artificially Upwelled Deep-Ocean Water Using SF₆ (Oral Presentation Only)

Hisaaki Ohmura, Seiichi Kanamaki, Yasuharu Uemura, Fuyo Ocean Development and Engineering Co. Ltd., Tokyo; Kazuo Iseki, National Research Inst of Fisheries and Environment of Inland Sea, Saeki; Ken Furuya, University of Tokyo, Tokyo; Yuko Oshima, PASCO Environmental Science Inst, Tokyo, Japan

Tuesday 18.30-20.30

OMS SYMPOSIUM BANQUET

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4. MINING SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY I

Wednesday 08:30 AIST Auditorium

Chair: Sup Hong, Korea Research Inst. of Ship and Ocean Engineering, Daejeon, Korea

Co-chair: Ning Yang, Changsha Research Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, Changsha, China

The Path to Commercialisation □ Mining Seafloor Massive Sulphides

C. J. Rees, B. K. Hebblewhite, D. Laurence, University of New South Wales, Sydney, NSW, Australia

A Case Study of Mining Seafloor Massive Sulfides in Japanese EEZ

Tetsuo Yamazaki and Kokichi Iizasa, Natl. Inst. of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan; Se-Hun Park and Souhei Shimada, University of Tokyo, Tokyo; Satoshi Shiokawa, Metal Mining Agency of Japan, Tokyo, Japan

Economic Simulations of a Small Scale Manganese Nodule Mining System Taking into Account New Technologies

E Schulte, R Handschuh, W Schwarz, Univ of Siegen, Siegen, Germany

Extraction of Thick Coal Seams and Seams with Rear-Earth Elements on the Shelf Applying Bore-Hole Economic and Ecologically Effective Hydraulic Mining

Yuriy N. Niskovskiy, N. A.Nikolaichuk, M.A.Zvonariov, Elena V. Niskovskaya, Far Eastern State Technical University, Vladivostok, Russia

The Technologies and The Means for Industrial Development of Solid Mineral Resources of the Far-Eastern Seas Shelf

Anatoliy V. Zhukov, Michail I. Zvonarev and Alexander N. Tyurin, Far-Eastern State Technical University, Vladivostok, Russia

Behavior of Deep Sea Mining Pipe and its Effect on Internal Flow

Chi Ho Yoon, Yong Chan Park, Dong Kil Lee, Kwang Soo Kwon and Seok Ki Kwon, Korea Inst of Geoscience and Mineral Resources, Daejeon; Won Mo Sung, Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea

A New Method Using Euler Parameters for 3D Nonlinear Analysis of Marine Risers/Pipelines

S Hong, H-Y Kim, J-S Choi, Korea Research Inst of Ships and Ocean Eng, KORDI, Daejeon, Korea

Effects of pipe flow on dynamics of underwater flexible pipes

S Hong, Korea Research Inst of Ships and Ocean Eng, KORDI, Daejeon, Korea

Direct Current Power Supply for Deep-sea Mining Machine

Josef Janoušek, Petr Tušla, Petr Voženilek, Karel Buhr, Czech Technical University in Prague, Prague, Czech Republic

5. MINING SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGY II

Wednesday 11.00 AIST Auditorium
Chair: Roger Handschuh, Universität Siegen, Siegen, Germany
Co-chair: Chi Ho Yoon, Korea Inst of Geoscience and Mineral Resources, Daejeon, Korea

Virtual Reality Research of Ocean Poly-metallic Nodule Mining Based on the COMRA's Mining System

Shaojun Liu, Gang Wang, Li Li, Zhenyu Wang, Yu Xu, Central South University, Changsha, Hunan, China

Dynamic Simulation of COMRA's Self-Propelled Vehicle for Deep Ocean Mining System

Zhenyu Wang, Shaojun Liu, Li Li, Bihua Yuan, Gang Wang, Central South University, Changsha, China

Several Considerations of the Design of the Hydraulic Pick-Up Device

Ning Yang and Hongping Tang, Changsha Research Inst of Mining & Metallurgy, Changsha, Hunan, China

Transferability of Soil Mechanical Parameters to the Traction Potential Calculation of a Tracked Vehicle

E. Schulte, R. Handschuh, W. Schwarz, Institut für Konstruktions- und Fördertechnik, Universität Siegen, Siegen, Germany

Comparative Study on Tracked Vehicle Dynamics on Soft Soil: Single-Body Dynamics vs. Multi-Body Dynamics

H-W Kim, S Hong, J-S Choi, Korea Research Inst of Ships and Ocean Eng, KORDI, Daejeon, Korea

An Experimental Study on Tractive Performance of Tracked Vehicle on Cohesive Soft Soil

J-S Choi, S Hong, H-K Kim, Korea Research Inst of Ships and Ocean Eng, KORDI, Daejeon; T-H Lee, Hanyang Univ, Seoul, Korea

Prediction of the Motion of Tracked Vehicle on Soft Soil Using Kriging Metamodel

T-H Lee, C-S Lee, J Jung, Hanyang Univ, Seoul; H-W Kim, S Hong, J-S Choi, Korea Research Inst of Ships and Ocean Eng, KORDI, Daejeon, Korea

6. GAS HYDRATES I

Wednesday 14.00 AIST Auditorium
Chair: Takeshi Komai, National Inst of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba, Japan
Co-chair: Kotaro Ohga, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan

Macro and Micro Approach: Hydrate Phase Equilibria

Huen Lee, Korean Advanced Inst for Science and Technology, Daejeon, Korea

Static Shear Behaviors of Methane Hydrate and Ice

Yasuyuki Nabeshima, Yusuke Takai, Tamotsu Matsui, Osaka University, Suita, Osaka, Japan

Applicability of Cubic Equations of State and Their Mixing Rules to the Prediction of Decomposition Condition of Methane-ethane Mixture Hydrates

Fumio Kiyono, Akihiro Yamazaki, National Inst of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba; Tajima Hideo, Wu-Yang Sean, Toru Sato: University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

Numerical Prediction of Decomposition of Methane Hydrate in Water Flow

Wu-Yang Sean, Toru Sato: University of Tokyo, Tokyo; Akihiro Yamazaki, Fumio Kiyono, National Inst of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba, Japan

7. GAS HYDRATES II

Wednesday 16.00 AIST Auditorium
Chair Yasuyuki Nabeshima, Osaka University, Suita, Japan
Co-chair Wu-Yang Sean, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan

Properties of Multiphase Flow in Marine Sediments with Gas Hydrate

Authors: Yasuhide Sakamoto, Takeshi Komai, Yoshishige Kawabe, Tsutomu Yamaguchi, National Inst of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba, Japan

Numerical Study on Recovery System of Methane-Hydrate

Ryouchi Hamaguchi, Hiroki Yahashi, Minemoto Masaki, Yousuke Matsukuma; Kyushu University, Fukuoka; Naoyuki Kamishima, Kiwamu Arikawa, Masaharu Watabe, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd, Takasago, Japan

Dissociation Behavior of Methane Gas Hydrate in Ethylene Glycol and Silicone Oil

Taro Kawamura, Yoshitaka Yamamoto, Ji-Ho Yoon, Hironori Haneda; National Inst of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba; Kotaro Ohga, Kiyoshi Higuchi, Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan

Experimental Research on the Formation and Storage of the Methane Gas Hydrate

Yoshihiro Kobayashi, Sojo University, Kumamoto, Japan

8. ENVIRONMENT

Thursday 08:30 AIST Auditorium

Chair: T Fukushima, Ship and Ocean Foundation, Tokyo, Japan

Co-chair: R Sharma, Natl Inst of Oceanography, Goa, India

Collection of Marine Data for Visualisation of Seafloor Mining Sites.

Jayne Holden, Philip Stothard, David Laurence, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

Summary of “Environmental Impact Research on Marine Ecosystem for Deep-sea Mining” Conducted by Metal Mining Agency of Japan

S Ohkubo, Metal Mining Agency of Japan, Tokyo; T Yamazaki, Natl Inst of AIST, Tsukuba, Japan

Examination of Environmental Assessment Methods of Deep Sea Development (Oral Presentation Only)

T Fukushima, Ship and Ocean Foundation, Tokyo; Y Shirayama, Kyoto Univ, Shirahama, Japan; T, Yamazaki, Natl Inst of AIST, Tsukuba, Japan

Monitoring the Effects of Simulated Disturbance on Benthic Conditions and Its Implications to Deep Seabed Mining

R Sharma, B Nagender Nath, A B Valsangkar, N H Khadge, B S Ingole, G Parthiban, S Jai Sankarn, Natl Inst of Oceanography, Goa, India

The Benefit Of A Multidisciplinary Cooperation And Exchange Of Data In The Evaluation Of Environmental Data According To The International Seabed Authorities Guidedlines For Future Polymetallic Nodule Mining (Oral Presentation Only)

Gerd Schriever, BIOLAB Forschungsstitut, Hohenwestedt, Germany

Marine Environment in the IOM Area (Clarion-Clipperton Region, Subtropical North-East Pacific): Current Knowledge and Future Needs [Proceedings Only]

T.Radziejewska, University of Szczecin, Szczecin, Poland; K.Szamańek, University of Szczecin; R.Kotłowski, Technical University of Szczecin and Interoceanmetal Joint Organization, Szczecin, Poland

Calculation Of Suspended Solids Dispersion In The Sea Environment [Proceedings Only]

Boris Arkhipov, Vladimir Koterov, Gayane Khublaryan, Anna Kocherova, Viacheslav Solbakov, Dorodnicyn Computing Centre of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow; Galina Belousova., Victor Evdokimov, The Scientific and Production Company Environmental Centre IFPA, Moscow, Russia

9. PROCESSING TECHNOLOGY

Thursday 11:00 AIST Auditorium
Chair: Frantisek Vranka, Interoceanmetal Joint Organization, Szczecin,
Poland
Co-chair: Shaojun Liu, Central South University, Changsha, Hunan,
China

**An Integration with Non-Metallurgical Industries — New
Challenge for Polymetallic Nodules Processing?**
František Vranka, Interoceanmetal Joint Organization, Szczecin,
Poland

**Dissolution Studies on Cu-Ni-Co-Fe Matte Obtained from
Manganese Nodules**
S Si, S Anand, Regional Research Lab, Bhubaneswar, India; K-H Park,
C W Nam, Korea Inst of Geo-Sciences and Mineral Resources,
Daejeon, Korea; R P Das, Regional Research Lab, Bhubaneswar, India

**Iron Precipitation by Jarosite Method from the Marine Nodules
Acid Solutions**
Ariel Mosqueda Martínez, Ciro Manuel Sam Palanco, P. Miguel Pelegrín
Rodríguez, Centro de Investigaciones del Níquel. Moa, Cuba

**Chemical Roast Reduction of Marine Nodules Blended with
Laterite Overburden**
Ariel Mosqueda Martínez, P. Miguel Pelegrín Rodríguez, Centro de
Investigaciones del Níquel. Moa, Cuba

10. CLOSING SESSION

Thursday 14:00 AIST Auditorium
Chair: Jin S. Chung, ISOPE, Cupertino, California, USA
Co-chair: A. Usui, Kochi University, Kochi, Japan

Summary reports from individual session chairs

Closing Notes

GENERAL INFORMATION

PLACE AND DATE: Tsukuba, Japan; September 15–19, 2003
All sessions of ISOPE OMS-2003 symposium will take place at:

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By Air: Tokyo International Airport (**Narita** Airport) is the closest to Tsukuba. Limousine **bus service** with 9 departures per day is available from the Narita Airport to Tsukuba. It takes about 1.5 hours. The fare is 2,540 Yen (about US\$21) for one way. The ticket needs to be purchased at the Keisei Airport Bus Counter at the airport before boarding. Bus pickup points are Bus Stop **No. 15 of Terminal 1**, and at **No. 12 of Terminal 2**. The timetable of the limousine service is as provided below.

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16:15	16:20	17:55
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18:40	18:45	20:20
20:00	20:05	21:40

Tsukuba Center	Narita Airport
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15:50	17:30
17:35	19:15

By Express Bus: From Tokyo Station, at Yaesu South Exit (Yaesu Minami-guchi in Japanese), highway bus service to Tsukuba is available. At bus stop No. 2, take the bus for **Tsukuba Center**. *Do not* take the bus to Tsukuba-san: It goes to Mt. Tsukuba. Both leave from the same bus stop. At this bus stop, there are five destinations, each marked by a different colored line on the pavement. The bus for Tsukuba Center is the **light green line** that is middle line or the third line from the left. Destination signs are displaced on the front and right side of the bus door in Japanese and English. Busses to Tsukuba Center run every 10-15 minutes. It takes 60-70 minutes from Tokyo Station to Tsukuba. A one-way ticket costs 1,250 Yen (about 11USD). The express bus goes straight to Tsukuba City then stops at the following five places.

1. **Namiki Oohashi**
2. Namiki Ichi chome

3. Sengen Ichi chome
4. Takezono Ni chome
5. **Tsukuba Center** (Terminal).

AIST auditorium is the first stop, Namiki Oohashi. Shortly after the bus exits the highway, an audio-tape guide will make an announcement in Japanese and English. Please push the button above your seat to notify the bus driver that you would like the bus to stop. When you get off the bus, turn right, walk to the first traffic light and turn left. It takes about 10 minutes. This is the main gate of the AIST campus. On the left side, there is a small guard booth. Please ask the guard for directions to the auditorium.

PARKING

Okura Hotel parking is free for guests. AIST parking is also free, but you need to get an entrance license card at the guard booth.

LANGUAGE

The language for the symposium is English. No translation service will be arranged.

CURRENCY EXCHANGE

Currency can be exchanged either at the airport, banks or hotel for the most favorable rates. Exchange rate as of June 30, 2003 is: 1 USD = 119.96 Yen, 1 EURO = 137.22 Yen.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION:

Reservation Form inside back cover must be used. ISOPE rate is arranged at Okura Frontier Hotel Tsukuba: For **online reservation**, click on www.okura-tsukuba.co.jp/index_e.html and write ISOPE OMS-2003. Only a limited number of rooms at ISOPE OMS-2003 rates are available at the symposium venue. **Guaranteed reservation by AUGUST 20**.

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BUS TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN HOTEL AND AIST AUDITORIUM

During the symposium (Sep. 16 ~ 18), Okura Hotel bus services are available in the morning and evening between the hotel and AIST auditorium. Pick up a bus time table at the hotel front, when you check in.

CITY TRANSPORTATION

City bus service in Tsukuba is inconvenient. Taxi ride is recommended.

SYMPOSIUM TECHNICAL TOUR, September 19, 06:00-20:00; 6,000 Yen (about USD50):

Symposium technical tour is organized for 19 September: **Takumi Deep-Ocean Water Upwelling Plant** in the Sagami Bay and **Japan Marine Science and Technology Center (JAMSTEC)**.

Ocean Water Upwelling Plant lifts nutrient-rich water from 200-m deep and mixes it with surface water, then flushes the mixture at 20-m deep. The nutrient-rich water is expected to increase the primary production of the surface layer. A small boat will carry the participants to the plant moored at the center of the bay.

JAMSTEC is well known as a core research institution for marine development in Japan. Its technological development journey for reaching the depths of the ocean with research into the diving technology necessary for underwater work will be introduced.

The final highlight of the technical tour is **Kamakura City**. Kamakura is an old historical and cultural place where Japan's first shogun-controlled military government was established about 800 years ago. Many old historic temples and shrines are there in the city area.

An optional visit to the **Port and Airport Research Institute (PARI)** is available for the people who are afraid of sea sickness. PARI has hydraulic models and basins to test port and harbor structures and their functions. When the sea condition is not good, all the participants will visit PARI.

The technical tour starts at 6 a.m. Breakfast sandwiches is served in the bus and lunch in a restaurant is included. The bus will return to the hotel at 20:00. You may skip visits in the middle of the trip. For example, if you take a train from Yokosuka Station at 15:30, you can reach Tokyo International Airport

(surface-mail) and handling charges are included (also see the ISOPE Publication Order Information.)

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SYMPOSIUM HEADQUARTERS Registration Desk

SYMPOSIUM BANQUET
18:00–19:30

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ABOUT TSUKUBA
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Tsukuba is a city where the two elements of abundant nature and Tsukuba Science City's technology can coexist. Tsukuba Science City is the realization of a plan that began in the 1960s. After 40 years and an expenditure of about US\$14 billion, Tsukuba has developed into a premier science city in the world. It now boasts about 40 national institutes (a half of all national institutes in Japan), several academic organizations, nearly 150 high-tech companies (including about 20 from abroad), and a total researcher population of about 13,000, with a total population of about 190,000. Tsukuba's strength lies in the balance and breadth of the researchers, research fields, and facilities that can be found there.

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