

## Preface

The Eighth China International Conference on High-Performance Ceramics (CICC-8) was held from November 4 to 7, 2013, in Chongqing, China. Continuing the success of conferences organized in Beijing (CICC-1, 1998), Kunming (CICC-2, 2001), Shenzhen (CICC-3, 2004), Chengdu (CICC-4, 2005), Changsha (CICC-5, 2007), Harbin (CICC-6, 2009) and Xiamen (CICC-7, 2011), CICC-8 offered an international forum for the presentation, discussion and review of the latest advances in science and technology of high-performance ceramics. The response to the conference announcement was positive and more than 500 experimental and theoretical scientists from about 21 countries and regions were attracted to the Conference. The organizers received more than 740 abstracts of which 662 were chosen for presentation. These contributions covered almost all the aspects of the field.

The conference received more than 400 manuscripts from the participants. After review process, 233 papers were finally accepted for publication in the proceedings.

The Editors would like to thank the members of the Organizing Committee and the International Advisory Committee for their efforts and successful preparation of this event.

We would like to thank all colleagues who have devoted much time and effort to organize this meeting.

The efforts of the authors of the manuscripts prepared for the proceedings are also gratefully acknowledged.

The next conference in the series (CICC-9) will be held in 2015. We are looking forward to seeing more friends at the forthcoming conference.

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