

Preface

The 13th International Symposium on Eco-Materials Processing and Design (ISEPD2012) was held on January 7-10, 2012 at the Lijiang Waterfall Hotel, Guilin, China. The ISEPD2012 provided a forum where researchers were able to present the most advanced and new scientific findings and technological developments in the field of eco-materials processing and design. The aim of the symposium was to overview the current status and to foresee the future trends in the field of eco-materials processing and design for energy, environment, and related materials.

There were 4 plenary lectures in the hot scientific fields such as solar photovoltaic materials, porous silicon nitride, photocatalysts, and graphene. Also there were a number of invited lecturers and poster presentations participated in 6 different sessions. Many fruitful and exciting research achievements were presented in the symposium, both as the fundamental subjects and application uses, such as solar sustainable energy, fuel cells, photochemistry, porous materials, biomasses, and bio-inspired technology for developing microstructure on superior surface as well as bulk properties. This symposium provided a good chance for scientists to communicate and exchange their opinions and ideas among them.

We would sincerely appreciate the International Advisory Committee, Organizing Committee, plenary lecturers, and all participants. We do hope that the manuscripts of the proceedings of all presentations at the ISEPD2012 will be accepted as an original and valuable contribution to the literature in the field of eco-materials processing and design.



Memorial photo of participants in the ISEPD2012 on January 8, 2012, at the Lijiang Waterfall Hotel, China.

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