

*First Circular*  
*Announcement & Call for Papers*

**11<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Weatherability ISW (11th ISW)**

(January 23~24, 2018 at Ota Campus of Gunma University, Gunma, Japan)

**Invitation**

We take pleasure in inviting you to participate and present a paper in the 11<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Weatherability ISW to be held in Ota campus at Gunma University Faculty Engineering, Gunma, Japan on January 23 and 24, 2018 organized by the Materials Life Society, Japan (MLS). MLS is the only organization in Japan for study especially on weatherability, durability and life time prediction of many kinds of industrial products or materials almost 30 years since its establishment in 1988.

The ISW provides good opportunity to meet each other of experts from industry and institute of all over the world.

Main Topics in 11th ISW are:

- **Weathering of Plastics and Coatings or relevant materials**
- **Stabilization of Polymers and Mechanisms**
- **Correlation Field and Laboratory Tests**
- **Analysis of Polymer Degradation**
- **Determination or Simulation of Relevant Climatic Factors**
- **New Test Procedures and Devices**
- **Standardization**
- **Environment-conscious materials**
- etc

**Language**

Official language will be English

**Presentation**

Contributions to the Symposium can either be presented as 20 min oral presentations or as posters.

Please register for presentation with the exact title and name(s) of the author(s) and the type of presentation (oral/poster) by using the registration form <https://goo.gl/q5SEJq>.

The papers will be published in the Symposium Proceedings, which will appear at the beginning of the event. Guidelines on how to prepare the camera ready text is shown in the last page.

**Submission of camera ready manuscripts**

Camera ready manuscripts (see last page) by e-mail to:

Ms. Rika Otake

Materials Life Society, Japan (MLS).

7-12-16 Nishioku, Arakawa Ward, 116-0011 Tokyo, Japan

e-mail: [mls@kt.rim.or.jp](mailto:mls@kt.rim.or.jp)

### **Deadlines**

Registration for presentation: **November 30, 2017**

Submission of camera ready manuscripts: **December 17, 2017**

### **Invited Speakers**

Negotiating

### **Organizing Committee**

KURODA (Gunma Univ.)

MIYASHITA (Gunma Industrial Technology Center)

TERANO (JAIST)

TOKUMITSU (The Univ. of Shiga Prefecture)

SATO (Tohoku Electronic Industrial Co., Ltd.)

TAKIZAWA (Bridgestone Corp.)

KURIYAMA (Yamagata Univ.)

NISHIMURA (Kyoto Institute of Technology)

### **Chairman**

KURODA (Gunma Univ.)

### **Organization**

International Symposium on Weatherability ISW is being organized on behalf of the Materials life society, MLS, Japan.

### **Participation Fee**

Participation fee is ¥20,000 (about 180US\$). This fee does not include welcome party fee. This is another ¥5,000 (about 45US\$).

Registration fee must be paid in cash on arrival at venue.

### **Conference Venue**

The symposium will be held in Ota campus at Gunma University Faculty Engineering, Gunma, Japan. It takes 10 minute walk from Tobu Railway Ota station. Ota station is located in the center of Ota City. It takes 60 minutes from JR Tokyo station by train.

Address: 29-1 Hon-cho, Ota City, Gunma, 373-0057 JAPAN

[http://www.st.gunma-u.ac.jp/campus\\_map/](http://www.st.gunma-u.ac.jp/campus_map/)

### **Accommodation**

Accommodation for the Symposium will be booked through the web site.

<http://www.booking.com/>

**Guidelines of full paper for 11th ISW**  
**(Place your title here, Times 14, bold, centered)**

A. Firstauthor<sup>1</sup>, B. Secondauthor<sup>2</sup>, C. Thirdauthor<sup>1</sup>, D. And So On<sup>2</sup>  
(Times 12, normal, centered)

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**Abstract (Times 11, bold, max 5 lines)**

Full-length papers (at least 2 pages (A4 format) but no more than 6 pages) of the presented contributions will be prepared for the proceedings of the symposium. The guidelines for the manuscript submission are described in the following. The authors are responsible for the content and style of the contribution.

**Keywords**

**1. Introduction (Times 11, bold)**

The contributed paper must be in English and should report previously unpublished work. It should contain an abstract paragraph (up to five lines) reporting the major objective and results.

**2. Guidelines (Times 11, bold)**

Papers may include figures and tables. A caption should be written under each figure and above each table.

Equations must be centered and numbered on the right.

Top and bottom margins should be set to 3 cm, left and right margins to 2 cm. Single-line spacing should be used. Fonts must be:

Title: Times New Roman 14, Bold, centered

Authors names: Times New Roman 12, normal, centered. The name of the author presenting the contribution must be underlined.

Affiliations: Times New Roman 10, Italic, centered

Main text: 1 column, Times New Roman 11, justified in left and right

Figures and tables caption: Times New Roman 10, normal

List and number all references at the end of the Paper. When referring to them in the text, type the corresponding reference number between brackets as shown at the end of this sentence [1]. Please don't insert page numbers.

**3. Submission (Times 11, bold)**

The full papers should be submitted as a PDF file, **within December 17, 2017**.

• **Papers submitted via fax will not be considered.**

Acknowledgments will be communicated to the authors.

**References (Times 11, bold)**

[1] T.O. See You, N. Ext October, I.N. Yokohama - We. Hope. You. Enjoy, **10**, 23-24 (2008).