

**Minutes of the ICC Steering Committee Meeting
Daytona Beach, FL, USA, January 23rd, 2010**

Participants:

Akio Makishima, President of ICF

Gary Messing, President Elect of ICF

Juergen Heinrich, Secretary/Treasurer of ICF

Tatsuki Ohji, Program Co-Chair of ICC 3

Katherine Faber, Program Chair of ICC 4

The meeting was called to order by President Akio Makishima and the agenda was approved by the Steering Committee.

1.) Status of preparation of ICC 3, Osaka, ICC 4, Chicago and ICC 5, Beijing.

Tatsuki Ohji explained the strategy and the program of ICC 3. Three conferences will be collectively organized in Osaka (23rd Fall Meeting of Ceramic Society of Japan, The 20th Iketani Conference and ICC 3). More than 1700 attendees are expected. The call for papers has been distributed (www.ceramic.org.jp/icc3). Besides 17 symposia on ceramic materials and their application, two special symposia on emerging and innovative technologies for sustainable society and on road maps, policies and R&D strategies will be organized.

Katherine Faber reported on ICC4:

The 4th International Congress on Ceramics (ICC4) will be held June 15-19, 2012 at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers, Chicago, IL. The meeting is organized by the American Ceramic Society. ICC4 website:

<http://ceramics.org/4th-international-congress-on-ceramics-icc4/>

The venue will allow for 6 to 7 concurrent sessions, with an expected attendance of ~700. The program committee will be made up of members from industry (Dow Chemical and Boeing, to date), university and national labs and will identify the major topics and potential speakers. There will be an additional call for symposia to the general membership for additional topics. The theme of the meeting will be forward-looking, bringing together business leaders and materials professionals to explore emerging opportunities and the role of research in creating/developing such opportunities.

The meeting organization will be similar to ICC1, with a keynote address each morning and afternoon, followed by theme-related papers. Contributed posters will be solicited for at least one poster session.

Tour of Argonne National Lab's Advanced Photon Source and Center for Nanoscale Materials will be offered.

The *International Journal of Applied Ceramic Technology* will publish papers from ICC4.

Timeline:

Brochure 1/Call for additional symposia – October 15, 2010

Brochure 2 /Call for posters – June 15, 2011

Abstract due date for posters – December 15, 2011

Brochure 3/Program and hotel information – February 17, 2012

The president will send a letter to the Chinese colleagues to let them know what ICF expects from the ICC 5 conference. Especially visions and strategies for future materials, technologies and applications shall be discussed at ICC conferences.

2.) ICC 6

The Indian Ceramic Society and the German Ceramic Society will send official application forms for ICC 6 in 2016 so far.

The executive committee pointed out that

-official applications for organizing ICC 6 have to be submitted at least six weeks prior to the next council meeting which takes place this year during the ICC 3 congress in Osaka, Japan, Nov. 2010.

-the operating procedure should be part of the application.

-the president can invite candidates to organize an ICC conference (the constitution has to be modified).

-the final decision will be made by the council.

-the decision in favour of a prospective ICC congress can be made 6 years prior to the event (the constitution has to be modified).

3.) Discussion about the roles and purposes of the ICC and ICC Steering Committee

The ICC steering committee agreed on the purposes of ICC as follows:

- 1) The purposes of ICC should agree with the objectives of ICF which are to promote the art, science and technology of ceramics and to promote an understanding of ceramic materials among the user community and the public at large.
- 2) It is very desirable to hold symposia on Road-Maps, Policies and R&D Strategies and Emerging and Innovative Technologies for Sustainable Society in addition to the general topics.
- 3) It is also desirable to hold symposia on the Technical Committee topics and activities.