



BIOCOMP 2012

11th Pacific Rim Bio-Based Composites Symposium

November 27-30, 2012

Shizuoka-City, JAPAN



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Preliminary announcement



BIOCOMP2012 (The 11th Pacific Rim Bio-Based Composites Symposium) is the premier forum for the presentation of new advances and research in the area of bio-based composites including those derived from both wood and agricultural based fibers. This conference will bring together leading international researchers, scientists, engineers, processors, manufacturers, commercial partners and government agencies involved in developing and creating new opportunities in bio-based materials.

Shizuoka is located in the center part in Japan and also situated at the foot of Mt. Fuji which is the highest mountain in Japan and is world-famous as a symbol of Japan. Shizuoka City is rich in historical assets. In addition, its hilly landscape gives rise to beautiful scenery, making it an ideal place for travelers to visit. Visitors to Shizuoka are delighted by the fertile land, temperate climate and pacific coastline, which produce rich natural products. It is amidst this scenery that the ancestors of Shizuoka City created all sorts of human drama, and shaped the wonderful culture of the city.

Venue	Shizuoka Convention & Arts Center "GRANSHIP" http://www.granship.or.jp/english/index.html	
Topics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Bio-resource and Feedstock Issues · Properties & Manufacturing of Bio-based Composites · Panel Products · Natural Fibre Polymer Composites · Cement based Bio-composites · Cellulose Based Nano-composites · Bio-polymer based Composites · Adhesives and Resins for Bio-composites · Fiber Modification · Testing of Bio-composites (structural, durability, fire, weathering) · Modelling of Natural Fiber Composites Materials & Processes · New Product Development & Commercialization · Standards Development · Economics, Life Cycle Analysis and Assessment of Bio-Composite Products 	

Program Outline	Nov.27, 2012 Registration and Welcome Reception Nov.28, 2012 Plenary sessions, Oral and Poster Presentations, Banquet Nov.29, 2012 Oral and Poster Presentations Nov.30, 2012 Post Conference Tours														
Important dates & Deadlines	Submission of Abstract: <i>March 31st, 2012</i> Notification of Acceptance: <i>April 30th, 2012</i> Submission of Full Papers: <i>June 30th, 2012</i>														
Host	Wood Technological Association of Japan														
Co-hosts	Shizuoka University, Forestry and Forest Products Research Institute (FFPRI), The Japan Wood Research Society International Association of Wood Products Societies (IAWPS) International Union of Forest Research Organization (IUFRO)														
	    														
Sponsorship	Japan Thermosetting Plastics Industry Association Japan Fiberboard and Particleboard Manufacturers Association Japan Plywood Manufacturers' Association														
Chairperson	Shigehiko Suzuki, Shizuoka University, Japan														
															
Advisory Board	Tomoyuki Hayashi, Japan (Chair)														
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