

Preface

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The Association of Powder Process Industry and Engineering, Japan (APPIE) was established in 1971 in Japan with objectives to widely promote the sound development of powder technology and the improvement of studies, research and education on powder industry through collaboration between industry, academia and government. In 2009, with the cooperation of ProcessNet, the committee of IPTF supported by APPIE will be pleased to invite various actors related to powder technology from the world to an international forum IPTF2009 atACHEMA, aiming the achievement of stronger ties between Germany and Japan on the cutting-edge powder science and technology. This forum will encourage participations both from industry and academia, pursuing possibility of global industry-academia collaboration. Considering this forum as a milestone for its future performance, the committee of IPTF now plans to start offering “International Advanced Powder Technology Forum” as a regular international meeting. AtACHEMA, nanotechnology, pharmaceutical and crystallization will be discussed individually, and this forum will deal with subjects that are of mutual importance in all issues above mentioned i.e. particle interfaces, particle interactions, evaluation and analysis of adhesions/aggregations and the control and application will be mainly discussed. Unlike many of the conventional conferences that generally have more involvements from academia, this forum will challenge to encourage an active participation from industry, providing an easier access to the forum. The vitalization of the global industry-academia alliance will be expected.

The forum will suggest: plenary and keynote lectures and podium discussions by invited speakers, short oral and poster presentations by industrial APPIE members and academia. In the podium discussions, leading researchers and engineers will assemble for exchanging their views on key issues, the latest technology, research system, etc. Providing simultaneous interpretation is under consideration.