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The Future of Reference Materials – Science and Innovation

Conference in the frame of the 50th Anniversary of the JRC's Institute for Reference Materials and Measurements (IRMM)

Geel, Belgium

23-25 November 2010

Third Announcement Online registration opened



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Scope of the conference

The symposium aims at mapping out the current and upcoming measurement and testing needs for which challenging demands on reference materials are envisaged. Forward-looking contributions addressing the scientific and technological demands for the design, preparation and certification of such measurement standards are invited.

Presentations

Oral presentations are 15 minutes. A dedicated poster session on 23 November will complement the oral presentation session. Participants will be informed about the selection of oral and poster presentations by 15 September 2010.

More details on the programme and deadlines can be found at <http://irmm.jrc.ec.europa.eu/future-rm>.

Call for abstracts and full contributions

The deadline for abstract submission is 30 June 2010. Abstracts will be published in the proceedings. Printed copies for the participants and an electronic version for general distribution will be made available. Instructions for the format of the abstract and the full paper will be available on the workshop website. Both should be submitted in electronic format in accordance with the guidelines. It is intended to publish the full papers in form of a JRC report as part of the EUR Technical and Scientific Research series. Further details will be given on the website.

Keynote lecturers

- Healthcare/proteomics
Frank Vitzthum, Siemens AG, Germany
- Molecular biology/genomics
Stephen A. Bustin, Queen Mary University of London, United Kingdom
- Microbiology/pathogens
Rachel Rangdale, Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science (CEFAS), United Kingdom
- Food safety
Frans Verstraete, European Commission, Health and Consumer Protection Directorate-General, Belgium
- Nutrition
Joseph M. Betz, Office of Dietary Supplements, U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH), USA
- Environment
James McLaren, National Research Council (NRC), Canada
- Calibration & purity assessment in chemical analysis
Hun Young So, Korea Research Institute of Standards and Science (KRISS), Republic of Korea
- Nanosciences
Martin Hassellöv, University of Gothenburg, Sweden
- Nuclear safeguards
Christian Schmitzer, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), Austria
- Material science
Manfred Hennecke, Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing (BAM), Germany

Registration

Registration is now opened and is restricted to 150 participants in order to ensure an ideal atmosphere for fruitful discussions and to enhance collaborations among leading experts from different fields.

There will be a registration fee of €150 covering the bus transport, meals and proceedings for non-invited participants.

Further details are given on the website.

Accommodation and travel

JRC-IRMM will reserve a number of rooms in a hotel. **Deadline to register if a hotel room is needed is 10 September 2010**

Local transport from/to Brussels airport, from/to JRC-IRMM, from/to the hotel will be foreseen by JRC-IRMM.

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Important dates

2 February 2010	First announcement
7 April 2010	Second announcement
21 June 2010	Third announcement
31 July 2010 (extended)	Deadline for abstracts
10 September 2010	Deadline for registration (if hotel booking needed)
15 September 2010	Confirmation for selected presentations
30 September 2010	Fourth announcement
22 October 2010	Deadline for registration
23-25 November 2010	Symposium