

Dear Contributing Authors and Attendees of ICGEC-2011,

We are most grateful to your participation in the event.

The major earthquake in Japan on March 11, 2011 had brought about huge impact. In considering the suffering of Japanese people at this moment, the committee decided to move the conference venue from Kitakyushu, Japan to Kinmen, Taiwan and Xiamen, China.

Please refer to the following map for the geographic locations of Kinmen and Xiamen. Kinmen is under the administration of the Republic of China (Taiwan), and Xiamen is under the administration of People's Republic of China (China). You may have been aware of the dedicate relation between China and Taiwan. The arrangement of ICGEC-2011 can be regarded as a way to promote the academic cooperation across the Taiwan Strait.



The change of conference venue had led to profound effect in our conference planning, in particular in visa application for authors from abroad and mainland China. The inclusion of Xiamen, China as part of the conference venue is primary for authors from China. It is involved for them to apply for entrance permit to Taiwan.

The committees eventually come up with the following time table:

August 29, 2011 Kinmen, Taiwan	August 30, 2011 Kinmen, Taiwan	August 31, 2011 Xiamen, China
	Keynote Speech	
Keynote Speech	Oral Sessions	Keynote Speech
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions
Oral Sessions	Oral Sessions	
Dinner	Banquet	

Presentations of authors from China will be scheduled in Xiamen on August 31, 2011. Presentations of authors from other countries/areas will be scheduled in Kinmen on August 29/30, 2011. Please kindly let us know for your preferred conference venue if the above-mentioned arrangement does not match your need.

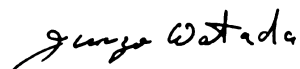
You are highly welcomed to take part in the academic and social events planned in both conference sites. However, please pay particular attention to your visa applications. You need the visas for both China and Taiwan to have access to both conference venues. The type of your visa, single entry or multiple entries, also matter in your trip planning, since there is a customhouse between Kinmen and Xiamen.

We ask your pardon for all the inconvenience it had caused to you due to the change of conference venue. Please don't hesitate to let us know for any further need. We look forward to meeting you in Kinmen/Xiamen.

Sincerely Yours,



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