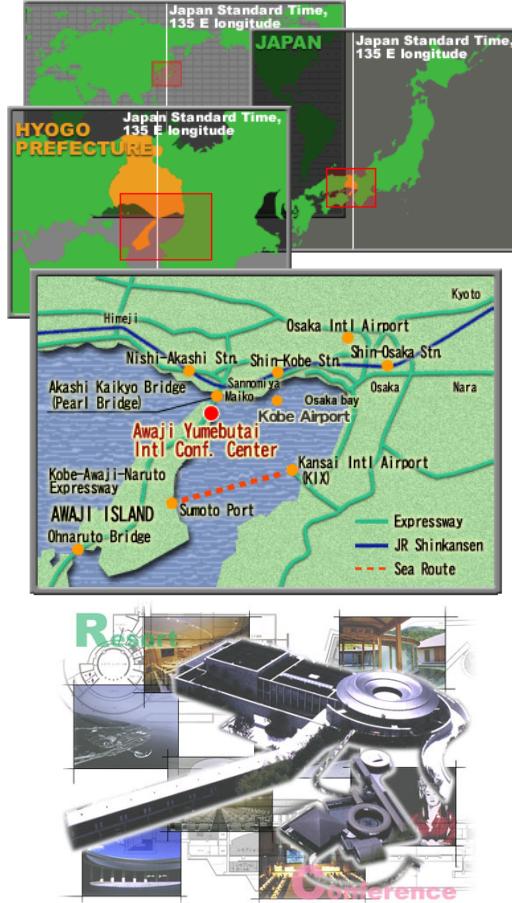


Venue

Awaji Yumebutai (www.yumebutai.org/conf_e/index.html) is a resort complex which features beautiful seasonal flowers and greenery. It is located close to the northern end of Awaji Island, where one can enjoy the spectacular landscape of Akashi Straits and Akashi Kaikyo Bridge - the world's longest suspension bridge which connects Awaji Island to the main island of Japan.



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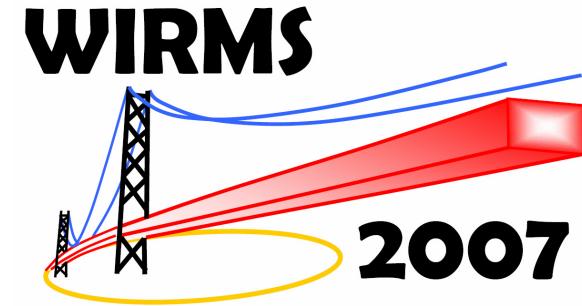
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4th International Workshop on Infrared Microscopy and Spectroscopy with Accelerator Based Sources



**September 25 – 29, 2007
Awaji-Island, Hyogo, Japan**

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Scope

WIRMS2007 will be the 4th WIRMS meeting and follows the highly successful workshops at Porquerolles in 2001, Lake Tahoe in 2003 and Rathen in 2005. The scope of the workshop is to bring together SR & FEL scientists and synchrotron-IR & FEL-IR users to discuss the latest developments and trends as well as the future directions of the fields, and to promote even more promising applications. Another important mission of this workshop is for the active experts to provide young researchers and graduate students with a good introduction to this rapidly advancing field.

Topics

- Infrared spectroscopy - from solid state to biological substances and gas phase.
- IR & THz spectroscopy under extreme conditions such as high pressures and high magnetic fields.
- IR microspectroscopy and imaging.
- Near field microscopy, spectroscopy and imaging.
- Time-resolved spectroscopy.
- Coherent synchrotron radiation as a powerful IR source.
- Advances in IR & THz radiation based on accelerators.
- Other new developments on FEL's and synchrotrons relevant for the IR and THz regions.
- Application of THz spectroscopy and imaging.
- Facility news & updates.

Abstract

One page A4 abstracts will be accepted until June 1 2007. A book of submitted abstracts will be distributed to all participants at the workshop. Format details will be announced on the official web-site.



Proceedings

All authors of contributions to WIRMS2007 are invited to submit a paper to appear in the conference proceedings and to be published in an international journal. Each paper contributed will be subject to standard refereeing procedures.

Tentative Program

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Sept. 25 (Tue.)		Registration	Welcome party
Sept. 26 (Wed.)	Opening remarks Oral 1	Oral 2	Poster
Sept. 27 (Thr.)	Oral 3	Oral 4	Banquet
Sept. 28 (Fri.)	Oral 5	Oral 6 Closing remarks	Free time
Sept. 29 (Sat.)	Bus trip to SPring-8.		

Registration

For preliminary registration please send an e-mail to the following address.

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We recommend early registration before July 1, 2007 by paying the conference fee by bank transfer, wire or credit card. Payment details will soon be announced on the official web-site.

Tentative Registration Fee

	Before July 1, 2007	After July 1, 2007
Standard	40,000 JPY	50,000 JPY
Student	20,000 JPY	30,000 JPY
Accompanying person	15,000 JPY	20,000 JPY

Number of Participants

The maximum number of participants is 100.

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Accommodation

Rooms are available at the "Westin Awaji Island Resort" hotel located next to the workshop site at Awaji Yumebutai. Less expensive hotels are also available nearby. Further information on accommodation will be announced on the official web-site.

Climate

The weather at the end of September is generally nice and comfortable, with an average temperature of 23 °C (73 °F).

Language

The official language of the workshop is English.

Important Dates and Deadlines

Second announcement	Jan. 2007
Abstract submission deadline	June 1, 2007
Notification of acceptance of abstracts	July 1, 2007
Early registration deadline	July 1, 2007
Hotel reservation deadline	July 1, 2007
Manuscript submission deadline	Sept. 25, 2007

For Up-to-Date Information

Please visit the official web-site:

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The 2nd and final announcements will be available only via the workshop web-site. Please visit the web-site for up-to-date information.