

WECC2015 Newsletter No.4

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**WECC2015 Program Concept:
“The Most Exciting International
Conference Possible”****Prof. Ken Okazaki**
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The World Engineering Conference and Convention (WECC2015) will take place in Kyoto from late November to early December this year. At the outset of our preparations we decided on “Engineering: Innovation and Society” as the overall theme for the event, but it has been no easy task to devise a program that will stimulate discussion on the relationship between engineering and society while covering a broad range of engineering fields and encompassing everything from cutting-edge technologies in developed countries to the realistic resolution of issues facing developing countries. Moreover, our definition of the word “innovation” must include not only the idea of technical innovation, but also the creation of new value and the generation of major changes in society.

To meet all of these requirements to the greatest possible extent, the Program and Papers Committee first set the following three key themes:

- I. Innovation for Sustainable Growth and Socioeconomic Development
- II. Engineering Research and Development for Innovation
- III. Engineering for Society and Engineering in Society

Members of the Program Committee were drawn from major research institutes in Japan and societies

belonging to the Japan Federation of Engineering Societies, and we worked tirelessly for two years to create a well-balanced program. Related presentations were grouped together to create nine tracks each comprising up to six sessions, with a moderator assigned to summarize discussion in each track. All sessions feature invited speakers, and the content of each session aligns with the overall theme while respecting the ideas of the session organizer. Details of tracks and session content are available on the conference website. As a rule, general presentations will be in poster format, and we have received more than 300 submissions for presentations in a wide range of fields. The program also incorporates plenary lectures by renowned business and academic leaders and a technical exhibition staged in parallel with the main program, promising an exciting event.

As well as providing a chance to communicate Japan’s technical innovations to the world and exposing participants to the very latest technologies from around the globe, WECC2015 will offer an unrivalled opportunity to gather for face-to-face discussion on topics including issues facing humanity and cooperative efforts by the world’s engineers to resolve them, enhancing the status of engineers, increasing the number of women in the profession, and human resource development initiatives. I hope you will make use of this opportunity and enjoy the conference. Japan has not hosted an international conference of this type since the Japanese government held the World Engineering Congress in Tokyo in 1929. Japan is a country built on science and technology, and to encourage further development I look forward to a lively international conference attended by large numbers of engineers, including the young practitioners and researchers who will be responsible for the future of engineering.

WECC2015 Registration is now available online!

Registration and accommodation reservation is available from our official website:

<https://www.congre.co.jp/wecc2015/index.html>

We are looking forward to welcoming you all at the venue!



Venue: Kyoto International Conference Center

Date:

WECC2015: November 29 - December 2

WFEO General Assembly, Executive Council and
Committee Meetings: November 28 - December 4

Technical Visits: December 3



Deadline for WECC2015 Technical Exhibition is coming soon!!

Deadline: April 30 (Thu.), 2015

We welcome variety of fields for our Technical Exhibition. Please don't miss our deadline!

For details, please visit: <https://www.congre.co.jp/wecc2015/index.html>