Jun. 14, 2010 Toru Nakagawa and Yoshihisa Konishi Program Committee The Sixth TRIZ Symposium in Japan, 2010 Japan TRIZ Society, NPO

Thank you very much for your contributing a paper to our coming Sixth TRIZ Symposium in Japan, 2010.

As we have announced already, this year we have accepted 2 Keynote Lectures, 1 Tutorial, 5 Special Interest Lectures, and 29 contributed papers (including 8 from overseas).

We have set up the **Advanced Agenda of the Symposium**, and have just posted it on our Web sites (Official Site of Japan TRIZ Society, and Official JTS Page inside "TRIZ Home Page in Japan") both in Japanese and in English, and have sent email announcements to several hundreds of TRIZ people in Japan and in the World, for the purpose of starting the call for participation.

Please forgive us for the delay in our announcement and in sending you our personal notice on your presentation. Below in this note, we describe our message to all of you as Presenters at our Symposium.

- (1) We have reviewed the Extended Abstract of every submitted contribution with respect to its scope and quality, and have decided to accept all of them for the presentation at the Symposium. We are very grateful to all the Authors for contributing such nice works to our Symposium.
- (2) We are trying hard to make such a large number of papers presented and discussed thoroughly in the Symposium. Concerning to the **invited lectures**, we have assigned the time lengths of presentation and discussion as: Keynote Lectures (60 min. + 20 min.), Tutorial (120 min. in total), and Special Interest Lectures (45 min. + 15 min.). We are grateful for and honored by the speakers who kindly accepted our invitations.
- (3) As for the contributed papers, we have decided to arrange the **Oral presentations** in double tracks with the time duration of 30 min. talk + 10 min. discussion. The **Poster presentations**, on the other hand, will be presented in several (probably around 6) parallelism for 80 minutes in total; including the plenary Poster Introduction session where all the presenters introduce their posters in 3 minutes by turn and the parallel distributed presentation session for about 55 min. We have assigned either Oral or Poster presentation at moment with respecting the authors' preferences.
- (4) Please refer to the **Advanced Agenda** (in the attached file and also posted in the Web) for more detail.

Regarding the assignment of Oral/Poster sessions and of the time slot, we should appreciate it very much if you would kindly understand the overall situations.

If you have any specific inconvenience in the arrangement, please write to us via email.

- (5) The Advanced Agenda we have just announced is the version we decided in the JTS's Management Meeting on the basis of the extended abstracts received by the (extended) due date of May 24 (Mon.). Till now we received two late submission papers, one from Japan and one from overseas, but have not included them in the Agenda yet.
- (6) Particularly this year, we have decided to **extend the Call for Papers till June 30, 2010** and to try to accept further a limited number of good papers.
- (7) The Advanced Agenda has to be made flexible to some extent not only because of expected late-submission papers but also for preparing against cancellation/withdrawal and schedule changes, etc. We beg your kind understanding of these situations. Especially for this purpose, we have set 2 Poster Sessions (with the capacity of 2x(6 to 8)) even in the current situation of only 6 poster submissions. There might be some special cases that we request a paper currently assigned in an Oral session to move to a Poster session. We are planning to make such **revisions** in early July (just after the extended due date of Call for Papers), in early August (just after the due date of Final Manuscripts), and in early September (just before the Symposium).
- (8) You all are now requested to provide us with the **Final Manuscripts** for your presentation by the **due date of July 26, 2010 (Mon) 18:00 JST**. Only about one-and-half months ahead from now in your busy schedule, and you may need to get approval of your company, etc. We should appreciate your cooperation very much.
- (9) The items requested for the Final Manuscripts are much different between Oral and Poster presentations. Please check the items requested/optional to submit, the formats to be used, max number of slides/pages, etc. in the separate detailed note attached to the present message. The 'Instructions for Submitting the Final Manuscripts' are essentially the same as the description in our 'Call for Papers' (Feb. 2010), and hence the former is written as minor revisions and insertions of the latter. It is posted in the Web, and also attached here for making things sure.
- (10) Overcoming the language barriers between our Japanese and your English languages is crucial for the success of this Symposium. In (almost) all the Oral presentations, slides are projected both in English and in Japanese in parallel. For this purpose, we are going to translate your English slides into Japanese; this is done by the Organizing team. You will also see slides in English in the sessions of Japanese speakers. This translation into English is a really hard work for the authors and also for the Organizing team for supporting them.

In this regard, your cooperation of submitting your Final Manuscripts **earlier and no later than the due date** is highly appreciated.

(11) **The venue**, Kanagawa Institute of Technology, is located in the outskirts of Tokyo. The map and access of the venue and the information of hotels will be provided in our Web sites soon. You are supposed to stay in a hotel close at Hon-Atsugi Station, and to commute to the campus by a bus taking about 25 minutes (depending on the traffic situations). In this situation, we are trying in the Symposium to have occasions of free discussions. Pre-session on the first day morning, Buffet Dinner & Communication on the first day evening, and Group Discussion session on the second day evening are set for this purpose. You are

welcome to propose some topics and serve as a coordinator for the Group Discussion.

(12) As a **Pre-Symposium Seminar**, we are going to hold "OTSM-TRIZ Introduction Seminar" conducted by Nikolai Khomenko. This will be held on **Sept. 8, 2010 (Wed.) in Tokyo** (at a next building of JR Tokyo Station). You are all welcome to join this valuable chance, for some extra fees, please. Nikolai will talk and talk for full 6 hours, without being interrupted by interpreter service into Japanese.

(13) We have **two Official Web sites**; (A) Japan TRIZ Society and (B) JTS's page located inside "TRIZ Home Page in Japan". Web site (A) is operated officially by the JTS committee but still weak especially in its English pages. So, for the overseas presenters and participants, the Web site (B) is recommended; this site is updated by Toru Nakagawa under his direct control and responsibility.

(14) As you see in the **Advanced Agenda** and in the **Abstracts**, we believe that we are going to have very rich contents of presentations and many active TRIZ people like you. We are trying hard to get as many participants as possible despite the current rather severe economic situations.

We all are excited to make the forthcoming TRIZ Symposium active and fruitful for all the presenters and participants by getting your presentations and by receiving many participants. We heartily welcome you and your colleagues/friends in the Symposium.

Best wishes,

Toru and Yoshihisa