

# Minutes of APACS Meeting in Sapporo

## Participants:

D. L. Trimm (Australia/Advisor) partly, M. Iwamoto (Japan/Chair), S. H. Moon (Korea/Vice chair), F.-S. Xiao (China/General Secretary), J. S. Lee (Korea/Treasurer) partly, C. Y. Mou (Taiwan), S.-B. Liu (Taiwan), C. Chaisuk (Thailand), K. Nomura (Japan), Soji. Adesina (Australia), George Zhao (Singapore), Y. H. Taufiq-Yap (Malaysia), K. Eguchi (Japan/Editor of Catal. Surv. from Asia) and H. Yamashita (Japan/Vice chair of APCAT5)

## Venue and Time:

Room 105, Sapporo Convention Center, Sapporo, Japan.

At 12:10-14:05 on 23rd July, 2010.

## Agenda:

1. Introduction
2. Reports
  - General reports / Professors Xiao and Lee
  - Catal. Surv. from Asia / Professor Eguchi
  - APCAT5 / Professor Yamashita, vice chairperson of APCAT5
  - General reports (attendance etc.), Best presentation awards, Financial reports
3. Next APCAT
  - presentations, discussion, and vote
4. Next Vice-chairperson
  - candidate(s), discussion, vote
5. Constitution of APACS
6. Discussions on the Future APCAT & Others

### 1.1 Opening of the meeting

12 members, an editor of Catalysis Surveys from Asia, and a vice-chair of APCAT5 participated. The meeting was opened at 12:10 by Prof. Iwamoto, Chairperson of APACS. He welcomed the APACS members and representative, attending the APCAT-5 and was pleased to meet the participants. All the members introduced themselves and identified their affiliation.

## 2. Reports and discussion

### 2.1 General reports of Professor Xiao

Professor Xiao explained about proposed changes in the constitution, an article about APACS published in Catal. Surv. from Asia, website of APACS, and visiting Vietnam.

### 2.2 Catalysis Survey from Asia

Professor Eguchi, Editor-in-chief of Catalysis Survey from Asia, introduced the present situation of the official Journal. Some questions/answers and discussions, including a paper-contribution method, was carried out.

### 2.3 Report of TOCAT6/APCAT5

Professor Yamashita, Vice-chairperson of APCAT5, presented a summary of the TOCAT6/APCAT5. He told that the conference was well organized by Catalysis Society of Japan. The total number of participants was around 810 as of 20th July, in which 396 were from Japan (less than 50%), 112 Korea, 89 China, 37 Taiwan, 28 France, 25 Thailand, 20 Australia, 14 USA, 12 Singapore, and 11 UK. The number of submitted papers was 762, among which 206 papers were submitted to the Youth session and 84 to the Industrial session. The Youth session was very popular and the presentation and discussion were carried out eagerly. The awards for the young people were also reported in detail. Finally, he introduced that the amount of the levy would be approximately 1,150,000 Japanese Yen (expectation) and this money will be directly sent from Professor Ohtani, the Treasurer of TOCAT6/APCAT5, to the bank account of Professor Lee, the Treasurer of APACS

Professor Iwamoto added the words that the Youth session was organized for the first time in APCAT5 and had a great success. He hoped this type of session would be continued in the future APCATs.

### **3. Next APCAT Meeting (APCAT6)**

The societies of Vietnam and Taiwan suggested the next APCAT. Professor Xiao of China, instead of the representative of Vietnam, presented the plan to host the next APCAT. Subsequently, Professor Liu of Taiwan proposed the next meeting at Taipei in October, 2013. After the discussions, the all members voted and approved the proposal of Taiwan. The details will be shown by Professors Mou/Chairperson and Liu/General secretary in the future.

### **4. The Officers of APACS**

Candidates of the next Vice-chairperson were recommended by delegates. Professor Can Li of China, Professor Thomas Maschmeyer of Australia, and P. K. Wong of Singapore were suggested. After voting two times, Professor Can Li was finally elected as the next Vice-chairperson.

New officers of the Committee were as follows:

Advisor: Masakazu Iwamoto

Chairperson: Sang H. Moon

Vice-Chairperson: Can Li

Secretary: Feng-Shou Xiao

Treasurer: Jae Sung Lee (tentative) / will be recommended by Professor Moon

Secretariat: State Key Laboratory of Catalysis, Dalian, China

### **5. Constitution of APACS**

All members confirmed the following changes in the constitution of APACS after the several discussions.

Article 4b. The number of delegates from a country or region shall be two. Advisors, Chairperson, and Vice-chairperson do not have a right to vote in the APACS meetings, unless they vote in place of two delegates of their countries.

Article 5d. The Secretary and Treasurer are recommended by the Chairperson and approved by the Committee.

## **6. Discussions on the Future APCAT & Others.**

The following discussions have been made about the issues.

There was an opinion that organizers of future APCAT should work 1) to avoid APCAT being dominated by participations from only a few countries and also 2) to keep the quality of scientific presentations in APCAT high. One of ways to keep the quality high could be to keep the number of presentations within a moderate range.

Although the location of treasurer and bank account will not be changed by every chairperson, it can be changed after discussions in the committee.