

MISASA INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM 2016

MISASA VI “Frontiers in Earth and Planetary Materials Research: Origin, Evolution and Dynamics” at Kurayoshi, Tottori, Japan; March 8–11, 2016

Nov. 27, 2015

ABOUT THE SYMPOSIUM

We are pleased to announce an international symposium “MISASA VI”, organized by the Institute for Study of the Earth’s Interior (ISEI) in March 2016.

The scientific scope of the symposium will encompass a broad spectrum of research from mineral physics and geophysics to comprehensive geochemistry and geochronology, with a common goal of understanding the origin, evolution and dynamics of the Earth and planets. It is hoped that the symposium will bring together leading scientists as well as young researchers and students from Japan and worldwide to present frontier research results and future perspectives in Earth and planetary materials science and related fields.

ISEI was first established in April 1985 as a national joint-use facility, via reorganization of the Institute for Thermal Spring Research, and has been designated as a Joint Use/Research Center by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology since April 2010. ISEI is a world-class research institution in the field of Earth and planetary materials science, with a diverse range of forefront analytical and experimental facilities and expertise. Over the past 30 years, it has served the national/international community of Earth and planetary materials science and related fields by hosting a large number of collaborative researchers from Japan and abroad.

With the renewing of ISEI in April 2016, research and education in Earth and planetary materials science will be expanded (including new research programs related to the origin of life and planetary fluids) and designed to strengthen the current institute’s role as an international collaborative research and education center. It is hoped that the symposium will also serve as forum to help review the achievements at ISEI over the last 30 years and define its future direction and new roles in the scientific community as a genuine international collaborative research center.

We look forward to your participation in the international symposium MISASA VI.

Eizo NAKAMURA

Chair of the Organizing Committee and Director of the Institute for Study of the Earth’s
Interior, Okayama University

POTENTIAL LECTURERS

Prof. Jay Bass (University of Illinois)
Prof. James Brennan (University of Toronto)
Prof. David Dobson (University College London)
Dr. Kerstin A. Lehnert (Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory, Columbia Univ)
Prof. Jung-Fu Lin (The University of Texas at Austin)
Prof. Shunichiro Karato (Yale University)
Dr. Kenneth (Ken) Williford (JPL, NASA)
Dr. Kimberly (Kim) T. Tait (Royal Ontario Museum)

REGISTRATION

Online registration can be made at the website shown below. A registration fee of **10,000 JPY** per participant is required, and should be paid at the registration desk during the symposium. Information regarding travel support, etc. will also be announced via the website. Please direct your questions regarding the symposium to: misasa6@itokawa.misasa.okayama-u.ac.jp.

CALL FOR PRESENTATION

Submit your abstract at the website shown below, after completing registration. Contributed presentations are welcome. Note that because of the limited capacity, some of the presentations will have to be given as posters.

SYMPOSIUM VENUE

Kurayoshi Mirai-Chushin (Dakyoji, Kurayoshi, Tottori 682-0816, Japan)

WEBSITE

Please check for the latest information on the following website:

http://sympo.misasa.okayama-u.ac.jp/misasa_vi/

SCHEDULE

December 1, 2015: Start of online registration and abstract submission
January 15, 2016: Deadline for online registration
February 15, 2016: Deadline for abstract submission
March 8, 2016: Registration and icebreaker reception
March 9–11 (morning), 2016: Symposium
March 10, 2016: Banquet

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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