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**1st Circular**

**XVIII International Sol-Gel Conference (Sol-Gel 2015)**
Mielparque Kyoto / Hotel Granvia Kyoto
Kyoto, JAPAN
September 6-11, 2015

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The conference will be organized by the International Sol-Gel Society (ISGS) and endorsed by the Japanese Sol-Gel Society.
Invitation

The **XVIII International Sol-Gel Conference (Sol-Gel 2015)** will be held on **September 6-11, 2015 in Kyoto, Japan**. It is the 18th meeting of the biennial conference that gathers most relevant, innovative and cutting-edge advances in the field of Sol-Gel Science and Technology. In the last meeting in Madrid, we had about 500 delegates from 60 countries, including >20 invited and keynote, >100 oral presentations, and >400 poster presentations that illuminated vivid and vibrant images of the Sol-Gel Science and Technology today.

**Sol-Gel 2015** will provide the expanding Sol-Gel community with an up-to-date overview of the worldwide achievement of this exciting research area. Moreover, intensive promotions to interdisciplinary and academia-industry collaborations will be emphasized.

Visit our website and pre-register for information updates.


**Important Dates**

- **Abstract submission:**
  - From October 2014 to January 2015

- **Early registration:**
  - From January 2015 to May 2015

Make your plans to attend Sol-Gel 2015

Meeting Topics

- Sol-gel chemistry and fundamentals of sol-gel processing
- Self-assembly, self-organization and biomimetics
- Organic-inorganic hybrids and supramolecular materials
- Composites and nano-composites
- Nano- and macro-porous materials
- Aerogels
- Films, coatings and membranes
- Particles, colloids and fibers
- Sol-gel materials for electronic, dielectric, ferroelectric, magnetic and multiferroic applications
- Sol-gel materials for optic and photonic applications
- Sol-gel materials for catalysis, photoelectro-chemical catalysis, and sensors
- Sol-gel materials for biological and medical applications
- Sol-gel materials for energy, environmental and protection applications
- New characterization techniques for sol-gel materials
- Industrialization of sol-gel processing

Meeting Format

The conference will consist of keynote and invited lectures, and oral/poster contributions. The official language is English.

Venue and Accommodation

Two adjacent venues directly connecting with JR Kyoto station complex will be used:

1. **Mielparque Kyoto** [parallel-oral and poster sessions, reception desk, and exhibitions].
2. **Hotel Granvia Kyoto** [single session for keynote/invited lectures, and banquet].

Accommodations from budget to luxury are available within a walking distance from the venues (announced later on website).

(1) Mielparque Kyoto  (2) Hotel Granvia Kyoto

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(Access to KYOTO Station)

- 140 min from JR Tokyo Station by Shinkansen (bullet train).
- 75 min from Kansai airport (KIX) by Airport Express “Haruka”.
- 90 min from Kansai airport by limousine bus.
- 55 min from Osaka international airport (ITM) by limousine bus.