

**Announcement and Invitation to submit contributions for the Symposium  
on “Natural Fiber and Green Composite Materials”**

included in the

**The 7<sup>th</sup> Asian-Australasian Conference on Composite Materials  
(ACCM-7)**

15-18 November 2010

Taipei, Taiwan

The call for papers is open with a **31 March 2010** deadline for submission of abstracts. The selected papers will be published in a **special issue “Multi-functional Materials Processing” of “Materials and Manufacturing Processes”** which is an international journal included in the SCI list.

Natural fiber and green composites (including both plant- and animal-based fiber reinforcements) are gaining importance and they will become even more important in the coming years. The objectives of the ACCM-7 Symposium on “Natural Fiber and Green Composite Materials” are to provide a forum for the presentation and discussion of the latest research and technology related to the manufacturing processes, characterization and applications of all types of natural fiber-reinforced composites, to establish strong linkages between scientists and scholars from Western and Eastern countries, and to possibly establish concrete collaborations for the future.

Prospective authors are invited to submit abstracts related to the following non-exclusive list of symposium topics:

- Fabrication techniques for natural fiber composites
- Characterization and analyses of natural fiber composites
- Assessment and evaluation of failure and fracture in natural fiber composites
- Biodegradable composites

- Development and applications of new natural fiber composites
- Structural natural fiber composites
- Fiber and particle functionalization for natural fiber composites

Information about this symposium is available in the official website of the ACCM-7 (<http://www.accm-7.tw/index.html>) and will be periodically updated. For further information, please send an e-mail to the organizers of the symposium:

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We look forward to seeing you in Taipei in November 2010!

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Symposium Organizers.