



"This is where the many facets of TMS meet," said Wolfgang Schneider, 2012 TMS President, of the TMS 2013 Annual Meeting and Exhibition (TMS2013).



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"It is at the core of what we do as a professional society and showcases the very best of what TMS has to offer its members—as well as the very best of what materials science and engineering (MSE) has to offer the world."

THE APP IS BACK

The TMS Annual Meeting mobile app will be back for TMS2013, making it quick and convenient to manage your entire conference experience in the palm of your hand. Search the interactive database of meeting abstracts to find presentations that match your interests, and access maps and floor plans to direct you to sessions, exhibits, and social functions. TMS2013 attendees will be able to download this free application from the Apple iTunes Store and the Android Marketplace by early February.



The foundation of TMS2013, slated for San Antonio, Texas, March 3–7, is an exceptionally strong technical program featuring more than 330 sessions built from nearly 3,800 abstract submissions. Topics span the continuum of MSE, from basic research of novel materials to optimization of manufacturing processes. This breadth of programming offers attendees a unique opportunity to network and learn from colleagues representing other

disciplines, facilitating the transition of material innovations from bold idea to successful product. Technical themes range from evolving synergies of computational and experimental materials sciences, to the latest developments in emerging materials technologies, to advances in processing, production, and fabrication, to management of energy and environmental challenges.

Schneider said that he views the

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Don't miss what is shaping up to be one of the largest annual meetings in TMS's history. Go to the TMS2013 website at <http://www.tms.org/tms2013> to secure your advance registration by February 1, 2013.

Also, make sure that you are in the heart of everything TMS2013 has to offer by booking your accommodations at one of the conference hotels. TMS has negotiated the lowest rates available for these venues to make it as cost-effective as possible for conference attendees to stay conveniently close, while having ready access to the charm and amenities of San Antonio. Go to the "Registration and Travel" section of the TMS2013 website to make your housing reservations and receive exclusive benefits, including no service fees, immediate confirmations, and no required prepayment.

TMS2013 attendees are also eligible for a number of special offers at San Antonio restaurants through the San Antonio Convention and Visitors Bureau's "Show Us Your Badge" program. Go to <http://www.visitsanantonio.com/tms2013/eat/index.aspx> for additional information.





Learning and networking opportunities abound in both formal sessions and informal settings at any TMS Annual Meeting.

number of presentations made at the annual meeting as a measure of interest in TMS's technical portfolio. Noting annual meeting presentations have increased by nearly 60 percent since 2005, Schneider said, "This growth is certainly significant and an indicator of the health and vibrancy of our community."

Also contributing to the strength of TMS's annual meeting programming, said Schneider, is the "globalization" of contributing authors in recent years. For TMS2013, nearly half of the abstracts accepted came from outside the United States. "The TMS Annual Meeting has evolved into a truly international event," said Schneider. "Not only does this build the prestige of the conference, but also greatly enhances the depth and quality of the learning and perspectives that are gained from attending it."

The epicenter of TMS2013 activity is the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, located within steps of the conference hotels, as well as the shops and restaurants of San Antonio's famed River Walk. A meeting place in itself, the River Walk offers an array of opportunities to extend conversations once the formal con-

ference events have adjourned for the day. Historically rich and vibrantly cosmopolitan, San Antonio blends culture and traditions from throughout the world—in many ways mirroring the diversity of TMS2013's agenda and attendees. The convention center is also extremely well-suited to the multi-faceted needs of TMS2013, from spacious exhibition space to the

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Registering for TMS2013 gives you free, exclusive access to the collected conference proceedings. TMS2013 marks the first year that the proceedings will be delivered online, rather than on CD-ROM. Attendees will be given a Web address and redemption code that will allow them to access all 2013 proceedings books in a single download from March 3, 2013 to September 3, 2013.

striking Lila Cockrell Theatre—the setting for TMS2013's special plenary sessions and Honors and Awards Program.

The following pages offer details on TMS2013 programming and activities that were available at press time. For in-depth information on several special events being developed for TMS2013, look to the following articles included in this issue of *JOM*: "Materials Science Thought Leaders Examine Global R&D Trends"; "REWAS 2013: Enabling Materials Resources Sustainability"; and "Symposium Celebrates the Life and Contributions of Morris Fine".

For up-to-the-minute information on TMS2013, visit the conference website at <http://www.tms.org/tms2013>.

The Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center (right) is situated in the heart of the River Walk, while being convenient to other San Antonio attractions and amenities.

