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Cover story

On 15th-17th
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2008 in Denizli,
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IMSP'2008,
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place. The delegates of the Conference will be accommodated in the Richmond Pamukkale Thermal Hotel. On the cover in the main picture the natural wonder with numerous pools in Pamukkale, which has created by the spring water can be seen. The terraces were formed by running warm spring water containing calcium bicarbonate, when the water loses its carbon dioxide it leaves limestone deposits. Pamukkale which means "cotton castle" in Turkish takes its name from these formations. On the last small picture the ruins of the Colonnaded Street of the ancient city of Hierapolis founded by Pergamum can be seen. The central picture presents one of the magnificent buildings of Ephesus – the Great Theatre, the largest in Asia Minor, which had a capacity of more than 24.000 people and is in a rather well preserved condition, located ca. a hundred and a few dozen or so kilometres from Denizli near Selçuk town, 70 kilometres south of Izmir. On the first small picture the building of the Faculty of Engineering of the Pamukkale University in Denizli, Turkey, as the co-organiser of IMSP'2008 is presented. We wish successful debates to the conference delegates.