



Dear Readers,

Val di Sole (The Sole Valley) is a beautiful and picturesque valley in Trentino, northern Italy. The Sole Valley applies to the Vermiglio Valley, the east-west aligned valley of the river Noce and its sidevalleys, among which the Peio Valley that heads to the Ortler. The rest of the valley from Ossana to Mostizzolo is simply called Sole Valley. In the southern part of the region is the ski resort Madonna di Campiglio. Winter views from this part of the region Italy is presented on the cover. The main town of the Valley is Malè. It is in this village where on 10th-15th December 2011, the next International Scientific and Technical Conference "Diagnostics of Polymer Materials 2011", which was co-organized by the Institute of Engineering Materials and Biomaterials of the Silesian University of Technology took place, and over 100 delegates from several countries participated. Conference delegates visited Trento (Trent), seen in two small pictures, where unfortunately there was no snow. Trent is the capital of Trentino located in the Adige River valley in Trentino-Alto Adige/Südtirol. In the 16th century the city was the location of the Council of Trent. The next issue of Journal of Achievements in Materials and Manufacturing Engineering is handed over to PT Readers. As usual, we have tried to collect engaging scientific papers. We hope that they will be interesting for you. I wish a nice reading and as always encourage PT Authors to publish their papers in next issues of our journal.

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