

## Dear Readers,

Guangzhou, with a history of 2,200 years, known historically as Canton is the third largest Chinese city and one of the five National Central Cities as the capital and largest city of the Guangdong province in People's Republic of China. Guangzhou is southern China's largest city located about 120 km north-northwest of Hong Kong on the Pearl River. And the scenery of White Clouds Mountain is also amazing. In 2008 Guangzhou was identified by the Globalization and World Cities Research Network (GaWC) as a Beta World City by the global city index with 60<sup>th</sup> rank among a global cities (also called world cities or world centres) generally considered to be an important node in the global economic system. The city with long summer and no winter is always green with flowers in bloom all the year round, hence reputed as "Flower City". In the sustainable energy 2012 year of the United Nations and following up on the Sustainable



Development Summit in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil the 2<sup>nd</sup> New Energy Forum as Low Carbon Energy Summit will take place in Guangzhou, People's Republic of China in 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> October 2012. The LCES-2012 can provide help our society and humanity with unprecedented impacts on the world sustainable development in order to bring the climate and biosphere into a natural harmonic balance, new economy growth and renewable energy innovation to commercialization. It will focus more on practical perspectives on green economy, promotion of sustainable or renewable energy, and exhibit technical resolutions to solve and predict the existing issues. Those issues are often discussed in our Journal of Achievements in Materials and Manufacturing Engineering. The next issue of the journal is handed to PT Readers, as usual, with the hope that the papers contained therein will be interesting to them.

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