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Editorial

The first volume of the International Journal of Fracture Fatigue and Wear contains the proceedings of the 2nd International Symposium on Engineering Mechanics and its Applications (EMA), which was held in Kitakyushu, Japan during the period 30-31 August 2013. The symposium was attended by several international participants from different countries including Japan, China, Taiwan, South Korea and Belgium. It covers different topics on Engineering Mechanics and its Applications and serves as a forum to exchange ideas on these topics between the participants.

Each paper presented in this volume has been sent to two reviewers, who are members of the International Scientific Committee of EMA 2013. The decision for publishing a paper in the conference proceedings was based on the recommendation of the reviewers. The Editor would like to thank all members of Scientific Committee for their valuable contribution in evaluating the papers.

The meeting was very successful and the participants have enjoyed the technical presentations, as well as the wonderful social program organised by Kyushu Institute of Technology (Kyutech). The Editor would like to thank the EMA 2013 organizer, Prof Nao-Aki Noda, and the EMA 2013 secretary Dr Yasushi Takase, for organizing the symposium and the social program.

Finally, thanks to all authors who have contributed to this volume and presented their research work at Kyutech.


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