



**ICMA** *International Cement Microscopy Association*

## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 2016 ICMA CONFERENCE**

**THIRTY EIGHTH (38<sup>TH</sup>) INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CEMENT MICROSCOPY  
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Novotel Lyon Gerland Hotel, Lyon, France  
Date: April 17 – 21, 2016**

**Join us for our 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference as ICMA goes to Europe again in Lyon, France  
(Invitation from the ICMA General Chairman- Dr. Arturo G. Nisperos)**

ICMA will hold its 38<sup>th</sup> Conference in the beautiful City of Lyon, France located at the confluence of the rivers Rhone and Saone. It is also situated in the Rhone-Alpes which lie between Paris and Marseille. From the Great Theatre of Roman Emperor Augustus (15 BC) to the graceful concrete Saint-Exupery air and train terminal, Lyon is truly a city of architectural and cultural marvels that span the ages. Lyon has developed into a major center of business as a reputed French Capital of *Gastronomy* and is also known as the culinary capital of the world. It has various historical and architectural landmarks which are recognized as World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. It was historically known as silk capital of the world, international headquarters of Interpol, Euro News, and International Agency for Research on Cancer. Lyon is also a pivot city for the Council of Europe and the European Commission intercultural cities programme. Lyon is second richest city of France after Paris. Please join us for the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual ICMA conference.

The meeting place is at Novotel Lyon Gerland Hotel, a 4-star hotel located right next to the museum, the Halle Tony Garnier, the A6-A7-A43 highways and the T1 train that offers quick service to the train stations in the Lyon's City Center. Nature lovers will enjoy a gentle stroll around the Parc de Gerland and the banks of the River Rhone. Lyon is food lover's paradise with its Halles Paul Bocuse, and for history buffs with world-heritage site Vieux Lyon.

The 2016 ICMA Conference is scheduled on Sunday, April 17th to Thursday, April 21, 2016. The Final Program will include papers that are good blend of practical applications, new techniques and novel approaches and the latest research efforts in the field of microscopic evaluation of portland cement and related materials. The Workshop Committee plans to have 'Panel Discussions' that are timely and interesting to the participants. The Spouse and Guest Committee will prepare programs and tours to the many beautiful and interesting sites of the City of Lyon area for the spouses and guests accompanying the attendees.

In order for ICMA to have the proceedings available at the conference, we have to plan now for the 2016 program. We would encourage you to share your work and experiences with us by presenting paper(s) at the 2016 ICMA Conference. We eagerly welcome presentations on all aspects of cement and concrete microscopy. Please refer to the "Call For Papers" to guide you in preparing your paper(s) for submittal to ICMA. Your participation is what makes the ICMA Conference one of the best cement and concrete technology conferences in the world.