PUBLICATION POLICY of ICHSIP-31

[BACKGROUND]

Preparation of the 31st International Congress on High-Speed Imaging and Photonics in Osaka in 2016 began after sudden cancellation of the conference in 2014 upon strong requests from the national delegates at the time for the revival of the congress almost from scratch. The time for preparation was too short to organize everything perfectly. About publication of the papers, we originally planned to simply publish an on-site USB Conference Proceedings.

However, we received inquiries from potential authors of the papers that sometimes include conflicting requirements, such as:

- Will the proceedings be open to the public? If so, I cannot include original achievements.

- Will the proceedings and the papers be registered in international publication systems such as ISBN and DOI (digital object identifier numbers)? If so, I am happy, because the papers can be detected easily through most of scientific search engines.

Consequently, we have set up a three-stage publication system explained below for "*the greatest happiness of the greatest number*". We sincerely hope the authors of the papers understand the situation explained above and our effort to find a proper point of compromise in a limited time, and accept our proposal on the publication strategy, especially on the [BUDGET] at last.

[SYSTEM]

1. "Abstract Book"

- All the abstracts submitted before the deadline will be included in the printed "Abstract Book" which will be delivered on-site at the conference.

2. "Conference Proceedings"

- All the papers submitted before the deadline will be included with no reviewing in the USB Conference Proceedings which will be delivered on-site.

3. "Post-conference Proceedings"

- It will be published through SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics

- The papers which the authors want to publish and are accepted at the on-site reviews will be included in the Post-Conference Proceedings.

- Prior to the conference, an inquiry will be sent to all the authors of the papers on the Conference Proceedings, asking their wish on the publication in the SPIE Post-Conference Proceedings.

- The review will be based on the presentations in the conference, referring to the papers in the Conference Proceedings.

- The review results will be sent to the authors shortly after the conference to revise the paper for submitting to "MySPIE", the SPIE's automatic reviewing system. Further reviewing process of the revised papers after the conference will be carried out through MySPIE.

- After collection of all revised papers and approval of the editor (the conference chair), SPIE shall

assign the SPIE volume, ISBN, and digital object identifier (DOI) numbers to the proceedings and the papers. The papers will be registered in the SPIE digital library.

- SPIE will make a master file of the proceedings and send it to the conference chair in March.

- The publication committee (= the program committee) will prepare the Post-Conference Proceedings stored in USB memory devices for all the authors of the Post-Conference Proceedings to save money and deliver them via surface or air mails (TBD) within five months after the conference.

[PUBLICATION OF INVITED PRESENTATIONS]

We sincerely ask the invited speakers to publish papers on their outstanding achievements as Review Papers in the SPIE Post-Conference Proceedings. Of course, this is not mandatory. We may ask them to allow us to include the presentations of their achievements on the current conference website into the Post-Conference Proceedings instead of their papers (TBD).

[BUDGET]

The introduction of the system requires an additional budget, which was not included in the initial financial plan of the conference. Fortunately, the participants of the conference will be more than 200, which is much larger than we had anticipated. So, the conference committee can prepare some financial support to the additional publication. To keep monetary fairness among the participants, we would like to propose the following plan:

- The total cost per paper is about $100.
- The authors of the papers on the SPIE Post-conference Proceedings will pay $50 for each paper.
- The organizing committee of the conference will cover the rest of $50.

We also ask you to understand that the members of the program committee voluntarily support the review, editing and delivering processes for this publication strategy.

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