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Preface

The papers collected in this special issue of *Molecular Crystals and Liquid Crystals* (MCLC) form the proceedings of the “Korea-Japan Joint Forum 2007” on Organic Materials for Electronics and Photonics (KJF 2007) held at the Korea University, Seoul, Korea during September 27–29, 2007.

Organic materials for electronic and photonic application are believed to be tremendously promising in the fields of information technology, biotechnology and various fusion technologies because of the versatility of organics in molecular design. The rapid growth in research and development of organic materials with electronic and photonic properties, and processing of organic devices promise better performances and further the potential applications of these materials. This edition of Korea-Japan Joint Forum (KJF) provides a fruitful platform for the scientists and engineers invited from Japan and Korea for productive discussions in these fast emerging fields.

KJF started with 30 members in 1989. Now this forum has surprisingly expanded as one of the major bilateral forums for the exchange of information about recent advances in organic materials for electronics and photonics. This symposium was attended by about 300 participants from Korea and Japan. Altogether, 243 scientific papers were presented, 14 of which were contributed by plenary and invited speakers who are the leading scientists in electronics and photonics-related research. We believe that the research presented on this occasion as discussions, lectures and posters has been fruitful in providing an impetus for deep discussion and key scientific interaction within the participants.

The symposium organizers wish to thank various institutions and agencies which provided financial support for this conference. They are the Polymer Society of Korea, Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR), Asian Office of Aerospace, Research and Development (AOARD), Center for Advanced Materials Chemistry and Department of Chemistry of Korea University. Thanks are also due to the members of the Organizing and Program Committee for their untiring efforts, especially to Prof. Dong Hoon Choi as Secretary General, and special thanks are given to symposium staff members

from the Korea University for making the symposium orderly and enjoyable.

Kwang-Sup Lee and Hiroyuki Sasabe
Guest Editors



Professor Jung-II Jin, President of IUPAC

We dedicate this Proceedings of the Korea-Japan Joint Forum (KJF) 2007 to Professor Jung-II Jin, on the occasion of his retirement, honoring him for his great contributions to this forum in the past and his excellent scientific achievements.

Prof. Jin is continuing his research at Korea University as a Samsung Professor of Chemistry. We look forward to his continued interest in KJF and a greater contribution to the world chemistry community.

Guest Editors