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Foreword

Flat panel displays (FPD) like TFT-LCD and Plasma Display Panel (PDP) have become an important industry in the world. New flat panel displays not only LCD (PDP) TV's, monitor, notebook but also new mobile displays such as PDA, MP3P, MPM, navigation and game displays have been introduced in the market. In view of this, Advanced Display Materials and Devices (ADMD) International Symposium has been held every other year in Japan and Korea from 1997.

At first it was Liquid-crystalline Materials and Devices (LCMD), since the display devices like PDP and OLED were not available for the consumers in 1997. In 2004 the name was changed to "Advanced Display Materials and Devices" (ADMD 2004 held at Himeji in Japan during September 23-24, 2004) to include OLED and other advanced display devices in addition to TFT-LCD and PDP.

The 11th International Symposium on Advanced Display Materials and Devices (ADMD 2007) was held at Daegu city, Korea during June 21–22, 2007. In ADMD 2007 two plenary lectures, 16 invited papers and 117 oral and poster papers were presented by 180 participants from Japan, Korea and China. It was noted that the interest was high from the participants in OLED papers in the ADMD 2007. The papers were balanced, however, in the LCD, PDP and OLED displays.

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The ADMD 2007 was organized successfully, which was owing to the help of many people: participants, reviewers of the papers submitted to this special issue and also to Ms Concetta Seminara-Kennedy, the Management Editor of this volume for minute editing.

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