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The 14th International Symposium on Advanced Display Materials and Devices (ADMD 2010) was held at Hotel Inter-burgo, Daegu, Korea during June 24–25, 2010.

The forerunner of ADMD, titled Liquid-crystalline Materials and Devices (LCMD), was started by the collaboration between Professor Tomiki Ikeda of Chuo University, Japan and Professor Lee-Soon Park of Kyungpook National University, Korea, in 1997. The science and technology on flat-panel displays (FPDs) have advanced remarkably over the past decade to realize commercial production of new types of FPDs such as PDP and OLED, in addition to LCD. In 2004, therefore, the name of the symposium was changed from LCMD to ADMD to include these advanced display devices, and the publication of the proceedings of ADMD was started as a special issue of *Molecular Crystals and Liquid Crystals*. ADMD 2009 was held at Hiroshima University, Japan and ADMD 2008 at Jeju City, Korea.

In ADMD 2010 two plenary lectures, 14 invited papers, and 114 poster papers were presented and participants were over 160. This volume presents the proceedings of the ADMD 2010 containing selected papers which can be approximately classified according to their contents as follows: OLED, 37; LCD, 21; PDP, 3; Solar cell, 21; Thin film, 10. These figures reflect the trend of the research and development on flat-panel displays and closely related areas.

ADMD 2010 was sponsored by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) under the auspices of the Japanese Liquid Crystal Society. Support from the Korean Society of Industrial Engineering Chemistry and the Korean Information Display Society are also appreciated.

The ADMD 2010 was organized successfully, which is owed to the help of many people: participants, reviewers of the papers submitted to this special issue, and also to Ms. Angelina Wagner, the Management Editor of this volume for minute editing.

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