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## Aloha

On behalf of the organizing committee I warmly welcome you to participate at the 15th Topical Meeting on Optics of Liquid Crystals.

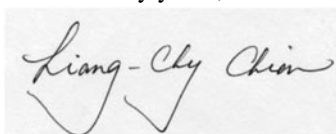
As the world's leading conference in optics and photonics of liquid crystals, the objective of the 2013 Optics of Liquid Crystals (OLC 2013) conference in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA is to provide a venue for intellectual and enlightening discussions of ideas of the emerging and frontier of liquid crystal science and technology in optics, photonics and displays. The OLC 2013 program includes short courses, and plenary and invited speakers representing both academia and industry with a wide range of expertise in the topic areas.

The conference program covers a wide range of topics including, liquid crystal meta-materials, blue phase materials, LC nanocomposites, polymer liquid crystals, elastomers, gels and composites, optics of lyotropic and bio-relevant LC complex systems, LC lasers and lasing in LCs, LC sensing and metrology, LCs in infrared optics and optical communications, LC lenses, holographic and stereoscopic systems, 3D and new display applications, electronic books, semiconductor/LC hybrid materials, photovoltaics and solitons in LC materials and devices.

The group of participants includes a good number of graduate students and junior scientists who give their research presentation in an ICAM Workshop. Furthermore, the conference also provides the opportunity to foster networking amongst leading scientists, junior scientists, and graduate students from a wide variety of fields and to establish exciting collaborations.

I hope you enjoy the program of OLC 2013 and the beautiful Hawaiian islands.

Sincerely yours,



Liang-Chy Chien  
Chair of OLC 2013  
September 29–October 4, 2013