

2010 Summer Camp

- *Call for Participation* -

The Global Center of Excellence for Mechanical Systems Innovation (GMSI), The University of Tokyo (UT) will hold a summer camp for PhD students from various countries in mechanical engineering and related fields. The camp aims to widen the research perspective of participants, to facilitate international communication and to develop international networks among young researchers. GMSI invites PhD students in universities/departments/institutions related to GMSI to join the camp.

Outline of the GMSI Summer Camp

Date: Wed., July 28 at 13:00 until Sat., July 31 at 12:00, 2010

Place: Izu-Kogen Club, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd.
(Shizuoka Prefecture. 10 min. by bus from Izu-Kogen station on the Izu Kyuko Line)

Sessions: 1) Technical presentations and discussion on participants' research topics
2) Discussion and survey in small teams on the relation between engineering and society (specific topics will be notified to the participants prior to the camp.)

Agenda (subject to change):

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
28 July		Opening and guidance/ Technical sessions	Technical sessions/ Team meetings
29 July	Team meetings	Mid-term presentations/ Excursion (Jogasaki coast)	Team meetings
30 July	Team meetings	Final presentations	Banquet
31 July	Closing (lectures and summary)		

Expected number of participants: 50 PhD students in the GMSI program (including international students at UT) and 25 from outside Japan (in addition to professors, researchers and staff of GMSI)

Official Language: English (including communication among Japanese students!)

Expenses: GMSI will cover all the costs for meals (from dinner on 28 July to lunch on 31 July), accommodation (three nights) and transportation from Narita airport to Izu-Kogen Club via Tokyo. For a limited number of participants, GMSI can also cover international airfare to and from Japan. The participants will need to pay for drinks at receptions and informal parties, as well as personal expenses.

Qualifications for participation: To be eligible to participate in this program, you must:

- 1) be a PhD student engaged in research in a field related to GMSI (for the research activities of GMSI, see <http://www.mechasys.jp/en/>).
- 2) be sufficiently proficient in English to participate in discussions and presentations in English.
- 3) attend all the activities during the camp (technical presentations, small group discussions, lectures and informal exchanges among participants).
- 4) belong to a laboratory, department or institution that has collaborated with or is related to the GMSI or is a member of GMSI.
- 5) have **not** participated in the GMSI summer camp 2009 (for those who do not belong to GMSI).

Miscellaneous: Space limitations require that rooms be shared by 2-3 participants (of the same gender, of course).

Application for participation:

Submit the following application form together with an abstract of your research topic (which you will present during the technical presentations) to the GMSI office by **4 June, 2010** via email

➤ gmsi-office@mechasys.jp

Note that GMSI will try to maintain a balance among research fields, participant countries, etc. when selecting participants from applicants satisfying the above qualifications.

If you have any questions, contact Prof. Satoshi Watanabe (Dept. of Materials Engineering, UT) (watanabe@cello.t.u-tokyo.ac.jp) or the GMSI office (gmsi-office@mechasys.jp).