

## ANNOUNCEMENT

## 1999 ASME MECHANICS AND MATERIALS CONFERENCE

The 1999 joint Applied Mechanics and Materials Summer Conference will be hosted by the Department of Engineering Science and Mechanics, Virginia Tech. on 27–30 June 1999 and held at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech.) Campus, Blacksburg, VA.

The conference is jointly sponsored by the Applied Mechanics Division (AMD) and the Materials Division (MD) of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME).

The aim of the conference is to bring together mechanics and material scientists, exchange ideas, and promote interaction among them. Scientists and researchers from all over the world are welcome to participate in the conference. All areas of applied mechanics and material science will be covered. Each speaker will be allotted 25 min for presentation and discussion of the paper.

The local organizing committee consists of R. C. Batra (Co-Chair), W. Curtin, R. Heller, E. H. Henneke (Co-Chair), L. Librescu, A. J. Lilly, A. Loos, K. Reifsnider, W. Smith, S. Thangjitham and H. Tieleman.

Both invited and contributed papers will be presented at the conference. Persons interested in organizing a symposium are encouraged to contact a co-chair of the conference at the address indicated below. They should indicate the theme of the symposium, an approximate number of sessions, and any previous organizing experience; such proposals will be considered on a first-come first-serve basis. The conference proceedings will consist of only one-page abstracts in 12-pt. font; however, the symposium organizers are welcome to make their own arrangements for publishing full length papers presented in their symposia. Neither the ASME, nor the local organizing committee will be responsible for the technical contents and the cost of publishing these proceedings.

The local organizing committee does not have funds to support even the partial travel of any potential participant.

Deadline for submitting the one-page abstracts: 15 January 1999.

Mailing address for abstracts: Mrs Norma Guynn, Department of Engineering Science and Mechanics, Virginia Tech., Blacksburg, VA 24061-0219; e-mail [nguynn@vt.edu](mailto:nguynn@vt.edu); Fax 540-231-4574.

Contact person for information on housing, travel, etc.: Ms Barbara Duncan, Continuing Education, Virginia Tech., Blacksburg, VA 24060-0104; e-mail [anna@mail.vt.edu](mailto:anna@mail.vt.edu); Tel. 540-231-4849; Fax 540-231-9886.

Acceptance/declination letters will be mailed on or before 28 February 1999. Preliminary program mailing date: 31 March 1999.

Additional information will be posted on the website <http://www.esm.vt.edu/mmconf/>