## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

# 8 International Congress on Thermal Stresses Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA June 1 to 4, 2009

The 8 International Congress on Thermal Stresses will take place at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, from June 1 to 4, 2009. Abstracts are now being sought for sessions which will be organized to cover all areas of Thermal Stresses and related fields, e.g. Heat Transfer. The Congress' web site http://www.conferences.uiuc.edu/thermalstresses provides detailed information and will be updated periodically. Main areas of interest are:

- Thermal Stresses and Deformations
- Thermoelasticity and Viscoelasticity
- Thermal Stresses in
  - Contact Mechanics
  - Dynamic Problems
  - Fracture and Fatigue
  - Heterogeneous Materials
  - Manufacturing
- Thermo-Biomechanics
- Thermomechanical Shocks
- Dynamic Loading on Composite and Sandwich Structures

- Continuum Thermomechanics: Classical and Generalized
- Heat Conduction and Radiation Problems
- **Experimental Methods in Thermal Stresses**
- Computational Methods in Thermal Stresses
- Control of Thermal Structures
- Instability and Localization under Thermomechanical Loading
- Inverse and Optimization Methods in Thermomechanics

Prospective participants are requested to submit the required four-page papers, according to the instructions provided on the web site. The papers should be submitted by January 16, 2009, preferably by uploading on the Congress web site. Following a review process, final versions will be published in the Proceedings and distributed to all attendees.

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