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National Association Returns to Winnipeg After 21 Years!

Winnipeg – After a 21 year absence, the Winnipeg Convention Centre and Destination Winnipeg are pleased to welcome back nearly 400 members of the **Metallurgical Society of the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum** to Winnipeg!

Visitors from across the globe will gather August 24th – 27th for this premier annual event. Themed on ***Sustainable Practices in Metallurgy and Materials: Embracing the Future, the Conference of Metallurgists***, which is being Chaired by Professor Mahesh Chaturvedi of the University of Manitoba, will reflect the latest advances and main concerns and issues affecting the future of the metallurgical and materials industry.

Technical Program Chair, Dr. Bill Caley of Dalhousie in Halifax, and the Chairs and Co-Chairs of the nine international symposia have strategically structured the technical program of the Conference. Lectures will be given by internationally recognized leaders in industry and academia and will address the major topics that impact the future of the metals and materials and their impact on environment. Topics will include research and development on new as well as established materials, processes and products, and the related technological advances. The technical program will also address the issues related to economic drivers, impacts of industry consolidation, manpower development, sustainability, trends in operations and productivity, and human health issues.

The Winnipeg Convention Centre and Destination Winnipeg worked closely with the **Metallurgical Society of the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum** in attracting this conference to Winnipeg.

“With the direction of the planning committee and the encouragement and resources provided by The Winnipeg Convention Centre and Destination Winnipeg, we are thrilled to be able to bring our Conference back to Winnipeg,” notes Conference Chair, Mahesh Chaturvedi.

Founded in 1898, the **Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum** is the leading technical society of professionals in the Canadian minerals, metals, materials and energy industries. With over 12,000 national members, CIM strives to be the association of choice for professionals in the minerals industries.

With nearly 400 delegates, an extensive technical program, short courses, authors’ breakfasts, internet cafes, and social programs, as well as industry tours immediately following the Conference, the Winnipeg Convention Centre is honoured to be the host of this premier event.

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