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## Letter from the President

by *Tae Hong Park*

September 1, 2011

Dear ICMA Members,

It was wonderful seeing many of you at the 2011 ICMC hosted by Huddersfield University. For those members who were not at the conference this year, I am happy to report that the conference chair, Michael Clarke, and his team did a fantastic job in organizing and running the conference, thus providing the delegates with an intense yet relaxing and very enjoyable conference experience. It was indeed a very successful conference, and I am certain that it will be a memorable one for many years to come. Looking towards next year, the 2012 ICMC will be chaired by Miha Ciglar and will be held in Ljubljana, the capital and largest city in Slovenia. It is the first time in the long history of ICMA that the conference's annually changing "home" will be in this region. I hope to see many of our current and new members, as Miha Ciglar is planning numerous exciting events within the basic framework of the structure of ICMC conferences.

We are also happy to announce that the 2013 ICMC will be hosted in Perth, Australia. The conference, which will be co-chaired by Cat Hope and Lindsay Vickery, is yet another first for the ICMC record books, as it will mark the first time that our conference will be held in Australia.

To help our conference organizers, we are currently in the midst of creating a permanent conference submission site for future ICMCs and are planning to have it on-line in time for 2012 and subsequent ICMCs. This service will be provided free to our future ICMC hosts. We are, however, also investigating possibilities of offering it to other organizers as a service to our computer music community. In lieu of the submission site, we are also set on building a computer music archive that will be based on "music" submissions to the ICMC conferences. This will entail storing of audio files, program notes, technical details, various metadata, and other important information fields to preserve, archive, and provide a hub for research, study, and exploration of our music to the general public.

Other ICMA updates for this year include an increase in the number of \$100 ICMC student scholarships from 40 to 50; the addition of a new policy whereby senior ICMA members can now receive senior discounts towards ICMC registration