# **Agenda**

# U.S. - Japan Roundtable on Rare Earth Elements Research and Development for Clean Energy Technologies



# Thursday-Friday, November 18-19, 2010 Building 453, Black Diamond Conference Room 1012

# U.S. Department of Energy Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

#### THURSDAY, November 18, 2010

# 7:30 Badging Westgate Badge Office

Met by Evelyn Laurant

#### 8:30 - 9:00 Welcome and Introduction to the Roundtable

Al Ramponi, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Kay Thompson and Diana Bauer, Department of Energy

#### 9:00 – 9:30 A Brief Overview of the Rare Earths Crisis

Karl Gschneidner, Ames Laboratory

Discussant: Roderick Eggert, Colorado School of Mines

# 9:30 - 10:45 Geological Availability of Rare Earth Elements

Session Chair: Bill Bourcier, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Keith Long, U.S. Geological Survey; *New Sources of Primary REE Production: When and at What Cost* 

Tetsuichi Takagi, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and

Technology, Japan

Bradley Van Gosen, U.S. Geological Survey; *The Principal Rare Earth Elements Deposits of the United States* 

#### 10:45 - 11:00 Break

# 11:00 - 12:30 Recovery, Extraction and Separation of REE from Mineral Ores, Part I

Session Chair: Alex King, Ames Laboratory Brock O'Kelley, Molycorp Minerals, LLC

Patrick Taylor and Corby Anderson, Colorado School of Mines; Mineral

Processing, Extraction and Refining of Rare Earth Minerals

Junji Shibata, Kansai University; Separation and Purification Technology for REE

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#### 12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

Group to walk over to Central Cafeteria

# 1:30 - 2:45 Recovery, Extraction and Separation of REE from Mineral Ores, Part II

Session Chair: Christian Mailhiot, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Eric Peterson, Idaho National Laboratory (INL); *INL Separations and Lanthanide Chemistry Activities* 

John Hryn, Argonne National Laboratory; Solvent Extraction for Separation of REE

Patrick Huang, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory; *Computational Approaches to f-electron Chemistry* 

Discussant: Suresh Baskaran, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

#### 2:45 - 3:00 Break

## 3:00 – 4:30 Improved Manufacturing and Use of REE

Session Chair: Mark Rigali, Sandia National Laboratories John Hryn, Argonne National Laboratory; *Improved Manufacturing and Use of REE* 

Karl Gschneidner, Ames Laboratory; A New, Energy Efficient Green Process for Preparing Commercial Grade Rare Earth Metals Including Nd and La Discussant: Mike McElfresh, National Security Technologies, LLC Discussant: Suresh Baskaran, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

#### 4:30 Adjourn for the day

# 5:30 Dinner Terra Mia restaurant, 4040 East Avenue, Livermore By registration

#### FRIDAY, November 19, 2010

# 8:30 - 9:00 Overview of New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization Effort

Toru Nakayama, New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization

# 9:00 - 9:30 Advanced Energy Research Projects Agency Perspective on the Rare Earth Materials Issue

Mark Johnson, Advanced Energy Research Projects Agency

#### 9:30 – 10:30 Alternatives and Substitutes for REE Technologies

Co-Chairs: Roderick Eggert, Colorado School of Mines and Koki Hanzawa, New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization Tomoyuki Ogawa, Tohoku University; *Development of High Performance Magnetic Materials with Rare Earth Element (REE) Less/Free* Bill McCallum, Ames Laboratory; *Magnets* 

Kimihiro Ozaki, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Japan; Research and Development of Dy-free Rare Earth Magnets as Alternatives to Nd-Fe-B Magnets

### 10:30 - 10:45 Break - Group Photo

## 10:45 - 12:30 Alternatives and Substitutes for REE Technologies, cont'd

Atsushi Muramatsu, Tohoku University; *REE Engineering Overview and Cerium: its Alternative and/or Curtailment Technologies to Conventional Method* 

John Hryn, Argonne National Laboratory; *Alternatives and Substitutes for REE* Momoji Kubo, Tohoku University; *Computational Chemistry as a Powerful Tool for the Design of the REE Alternative and/or Curtailment Technologies and the Integrated Application of the Experiments and Simulations to Cerium for the Mechanical Polishing* 

Yutaka Tai, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Japan; *Ceria in Automotive Catalysts* 

#### 12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

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# 1:30 - 3:00 Summarize Findings and Recommendations of Roundtable

### 3:00 Closing Remarks and Adjourn