

The 2nd Chinese–Norwegian Symposium on Light Metals, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, November 3-9, 2007

The NTNU strategic area ‘Materials’ arranged the symposium in collaboration with the Department of Materials Science and Engineering (DMSE). The aim of the symposium was to present recent developments in light metals research and associated industrial challenges.

In total 28 lectures were given among the 38 participants. During an additional half-day workshop the delegates were exposed to common challenges in regard to light metals industrial developments in China. The participants also attended several social arrangements including official dinners, campus visits and sightseeing the famous central districts of Shanghai. The DMSE attendees were Geir M. Haarberg, Lifeng Zhang, Knut

Marthinsen, Kemal Nisancioglu, Manping Liu, Trond E. Hagen and Hans J. Roven (Symposium Chairman). In addition, the symposium had delegates from the Norwegian Research Council (Astrid Brenna), The Norwegian Embassy in Beijing (Werner Christie), Hydro Aluminium AS (Oddvin Reiso, Trond Furu), Raufoss Technology AS (Jon Sandvik) and NTNU Rector’s office (Nina Sindre). The symposium was the second in the row, and the third is being planned for 2009 in China. In conclusion, the symposium revealed that the light metals sector has several common interests in Norway and in China and new collaborations and partnerships are very likely to develop from the discussions and friendships developed during this occasion.

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The participants of the ‘2nd CNS on light metals’ in front of the famous main gate to Shanghai Jiao Tong University, November 2007.