

WELCOME
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Good evening, Distinguished guests and members of ICEE& ICEER 2009 KOREA, Ladies and gentlemen,

It is indeed a distinct privilege and honor to welcome you again to dinner session this evening on behalf of the ICEE& ICEER 2009 KOREA committee. First of all, I would like to express congratulation success of first day including excellent Key note speech and valuable discussions.

This year, the organization committee has received about 358 presentation registrations across 17 engineering topics. As you already know so well, the topics are mainly focused on the development and enhancement of engineering education and research. Today, I'd like to draw your attention especially to the topics that address the interdisciplinary collaboration and communication. That is, sharing expert knowledge and ideas across the fields for the educational purpose within engineering and in other fields

What is its implication? I'd like to use the principles of Korean cuisine to answer that question. I believe some of you already enjoyed the excellent taste of Korean food at

the welcome party, provided by the city of Seoul last night. Of course the excellence of the food is in the savory taste, but what is more important in Korean cuisine is the nutrition. In Korean food, the highest nutritional value is achieved through the balance; the balance of positive and negative. It works like this. All the ingredients are categorized into Yin and Yang element by its characteristic. In cooking, particular ingredients are carefully selected so that the dish is perfectly balanced in terms of its nutritional values.

I think this is what we, educators, researchers and administrators, need to do when teaching our students. Our mission is not just to deliver our knowledge of our major fields, but rather, we have to guide our students to be aware what is the value of Future Engineer for development of society. and how to use their knowledge properly to make human life healthier, more secure and comfortable. Depending on how the engineers use their knowledge, this world could be either a paradise or a total disaster. We have to bring up our engineering students in the balance of knowledge: the knowledge of engineering and the knowledge of the world and human beings.

This evening, I hope you enjoy the Korean traditional dinner and performances, which is in complete balance.

Thank you.

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