

Dear friends, ladies and gentlemen,

It is my great pleasure to give an opening speech. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the support of NSFC and CIAE and thank the IAC to give great recommendation and LoC to give nice preparation and reception.

It is a great time for nuclear physics, since we want to know what happen for atomic nuclei in drip line. It is a great time for nuclear astrophysics, since those facts near drip line will give a foot print in element abundance. In addition, in order to know the exact reaction inside star, we need to go deep underground to reproduce them. All these things together can be the driving force of great many spectra we get in telescope, on earth or in the sky.

That is why we come here, we would like to share our excitement of above finding. This began in the year of 1988, when Professor Kubono, Ishihara, Nomura, and later on Kajino in Japan got this idea, and gave the name, Origin of Matter and Evolution of Galaxies, or OMEG. Then every 2 years, in Japan, people gather together putting the scattered pieces into whole picture, together with NIC forming the two most important of nuclear astrophysics symposium in the world. We saw recent great symposium in Tsukuba where Miyatake san and Kajino san led the OMEG into newer level.

Now the touch come to Beijing China, where accent astronomer start to record the very first supernova and chemist tried hard to synthesis new material to last human life. This is not the only reason we come here, we come here because here in China we joint the task force to understand the star with much great dimension ever, we see the sky with LAMOST, we will simulate driven reaction with JUNA. So I thank you very much to come here. I am very glad to tell you that we get a large number from Asia, Europe and North America with 20 countries, together with more than one hundred, half come from outside China. We have participants from astronomers to nuclear physicists, from experimentalists to theoreticians, from young students to senior professors. So this symposium is truly interdisciplinary.

Beijing, as its name implies, is a northern capital city, with 3 thousand years of history, our meeting site is just near the accent city center Forbidden city, and located in a most prosperous shopping center Wangfujing. We would like to arrange this symposium such way that all of you can really enjoy great talks in the day, and a great city life during the night. This is not the whole story, I will invite all of you to have a tour to CIAE to see our progress; I am very happy to invite you to enjoy Beijing opera, the holy grail of Chinese traditional art, in order to give you more stimulation to tackle with holy grail of nuclear astrophysics. Finally I have full confidence that this symposium will be the most successful one due to your supports, and your stay in Beijing will be most memorable.

Thank you very much.

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