

## Australia heads new Asian Aerosol Federation

The Asian Aerosol Federation (AAF) was formally established late 2011 during the 'Aerotech' international aerosol event in Zhongshan, China. Australia's President Lindsay Showyin is the inaugural Chair and the Australian Aerosol Association will provide the new body's Secretariat during his term.

After years of dialogue, the aerosol associations of Australia, China, India, Japan, New Zealand and Thailand have come together as the AAF to 'promote the prosperous development of the aerosol industry and market' in the region. Through the AAF, these countries will share information on technology, legislation and regulations; have a greater voice amongst other global aerosol associations; and develop harmonised industry standards.

"We are proud to have played a significant role in the formation of this Federation," said Lindsay Showyin. "China, Japan and India represent this country's three largest trading partners and it is inevitable that our focus with regard to cooperation and communication reflects this reality."

"Information sharing though our long-established links with bodies like the European Aerosol Federation (FEA) and America's CSPA are key to our member offering and over time I look forward to this new grouping delivering the same benefits to members."

The AAF's first task is to establish its web presence at www.aerosol-asia.org.

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