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Introduction

Welcome to our annual event in beautiful San Diego. While our conference has been going on for more than two decades, we should not take it for granted. Its continuity depends on the creativity of its participants (many of whom are in this room) and the vitality of the subject of nonimaging optics. On this point, you will see that the program has many innovative presentations. There is a nexus of nonimaging optics and energy that is very much "in the air". For example, concentrating photovoltaics at the nanoscale takes advantage of the efficiency of nonimaging optics at the diffraction limit.

I want to recognize Professor J. C. Minano, a pioneer in our field and the most recent recipient of the Optical Society of America Joseph Fraunhofer Award/Robert M. Burley prize. Let us hope this becomes a tradition. Finally, I want to acknowledge our co-chair Professor Jeffrey M. Gordon, himself a distinguished contributor to our field, for his tireless efforts in putting together an exciting program.

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