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Dr. Subhas Sikdar Appointed To Chair of the Institute for Sustainability

New York, January XX, 2008 - The Institute for Sustainability (IfS), an AIChE technological community, today announced that it has appointed Dr. Subhas K. Sikdar, associate director for science for the National Risk Management Research Laboratory of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, as the new Chair of IfS.

The purpose of IfS is to serve the needs of and influence the efforts of professionals, academes, industries, and governmental bodies that contribute to the advancement of sustainability and sustainable development. IfS approaches sustainability from the perspectives of engineering and scientific disciplines with the objective of promoting the societal, economic, and environmental benefits of sustainable and green engineering.

“I am honored to accept the position as Chair of The Institute for Sustainability,” said Dr. Sikdar. “The Institute is critical to furthering the adoption of sustainability concepts into engineering education, research and development, measurement tools and frameworks to guide the design of more sustainable products and processes. I am thrilled to be a part of such an impactful organization and look forward to achieving many milestones this year.”

Before joining the EPA in 1990, Dr. Sikdar held managerial positions at the National Institute of Standards and Technology and General Electric Corporate Research & Development Center. He has won numerous awards including three EPA bronze medals, an R&D 100 award, AIChE’s Larry Cecil Award for Environmental Chemical Engineering, and the Distinguished Engineering Alumnus Awards from the University of Calcutta and University of Arizona.

Dr. Sikdar has published more than 70 technical papers in respected journals, has 23 U.S. patents, and has edited 13 books. He is the founder and the co-editor-in-chief of the international journal *Clean Technologies and Environmental Policy* published quarterly by Springer Verlag of Germany.

For more information about the Institute for Sustainability, please visit:
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About AIChE

AIChE, celebrating its 100th anniversary this year, is a professional society of more than 40,000 chemical engineers in 92 countries. Its members work in corporations, universities and government using their knowledge of chemical processes to develop safe and useful products for the benefit of society.

Through its varied programs, AIChE continues to be a focal point for information exchange on the frontier of chemical engineering research in such areas as nanotechnology, sustainability, hydrogen fuels, biological and environmental engineering, and chemical plant safety and security. More information about AIChE is available at www.aiche.org.