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The symposium was devoted to the wide spectrum of laser micro- and nanoprocessing, from physical fundamentals of different processes and their experimental demonstration, to the industrial set-ups and their realization. Topics covered by FLAMN-13 included theoretical and experimental aspects of laser-matter interaction applied to laser micro- and nanotechnology.

The sessions of FLAMN-13 were visited by over 350 participants including 200 speakers, approximately 80 of them from abroad (Australia, Austria, Belarus, China, France, Germany, Mexico, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Korea, Lithuania, Romania, Spain, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States). About 225 papers were presented (110 orals, 115 posters); this volume contains 44 selected papers.

For convenience of readers, the papers in these proceedings are arranged into six topical sections:

- Section 1: Laser-matter interaction
- Section 2: Laser-assisted micro- and nanotechnologies
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