The 2010 ISE Spring Meeting was held on the campus of The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. The meeting was focused on the topic of corrosion and it was also a celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Mars G. Fontana, who is considered by many to be the father of corrosion engineering. There were 154 attendees from 28 countries, 32 of whom were students.

Following a rainy Sunday, the weather was spectacular and the conference venues showed off the best that OSU has to offer. The welcoming reception on Sunday night, sponsored by DNV, was at the brand new Ohio Union. The technical sessions were held at the 4-H Center, a certified green building. A short outing to the Columbus Museum of Art allowed viewing of a fantastic exhibit of glasswork by Dale Chihuly. The conference banquet in the newly renovated OSU Main Library was a special treat as all four of Fontana’s children and their spouses were present. A number of attendees including daughter Martha Fontana Worth shared favorite reminiscences of Fontana. All who attended learned about his special character.

Keynote addresses were given by Digby Macdonald, Roger Staehle, Roger Newman, Ivan Cole, and Martin Stratmann. At other times there were three or four parallel sessions on the following topics: Coatings, High Temperature Corrosion, Iron and Nickel Alloys, Stress Corrosion Cracking, Concrete, Atmospheric Corrosion, Light Metals, Modeling, Copper, and Oil/Gas/Pipeline Corrosion. In total there were 108 oral presentations and 43 poster presentations.

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