Message From the Conference Chair

THE 16th biennial COMPUMAG Conference on the Computation of Electromagnetic Fields was held June 24–28, 2007, at the EUROGRESS Conference Center of Aachen, Germany. COMPUMAG 2007 attracted a record number of papers compared to all past COMPUMAG conferences. The high quality of the submitted papers indicates clearly the relevance of the COMPUMAG conferences to electromagnetics research. The International Compumag Society (ICS) remains the host of the most important scientific forum for computational electromagnetics worldwide.

To provide some statistics, the overall number of abstracts submitted to the conference in 2007 was about 800. To guarantee and preserve the high standards of the conference, the 169 reviewers on the ICS Editorial Board worked very hard to select 600 papers, from 52 countries, for presentation. The review process was supervised smoothly and efficiently by Patrick Dular (University of Liege, Belgium) and Stefan Kurz (ETAS Group, Germany), the chairmen of the COMPUMAG 2007 Editorial Board. I would like also to thank Prof. Nathan Ida (University of Akron, Ohio, U.S.), who managed with due confidentiality the peer reviews of the papers submitted by the organizers of the conference. Technical support to the Editorial Board was provided by my group at RWTH Aachen University, in particular Dirk van Riesen, François Henrotte, and Enno Lange. Handling of the technical papers, peer-reviews, and evaluation were automated on the COMPUMAG 2007 Internet portal.

During the course of COMPUMAG 2007, three invited lectures were presented, one in the morning of each conference day. There were eight oral sessions, all plenary, and 28 poster sessions.

A meeting of this size cannot be put together without the dedicated efforts of many people. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody involved. In addition to a smooth technical organization and a perfectly working editorial board, enthusiastic participants also contributed to make COMPUMAG 2007 an unforgettable event. I am quite convinced that we, all together, had a great meeting in Aachen. I also hope that the atmosphere at COMPUMAG 2007 inspired new friendships among engineers and scientists for the benefit of mankind in the years ahead.

I am looking forward to meeting you all in Brazil at COMPUMAG 2009!



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