



# NEWSLETTER

## IMEKO Technical Committee 12

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### **TO THE MEMBERS OF IMEKO TC12**

Dear Colleagues,

this will again be a short Newsletter to keep all of you informed about developments during the last semester.

In mid-October the Proceedings Volume of TEMPMEKO '96 was printed (after all papers had undergone peer review). Information about delivery and availability is given in the next article. You will also find preliminary details regarding the organization of TEMPMEKO '99, with the exact date of the event that will occur just before the CCT meeting. A report on the TC12 Workshop in Poland concludes this issue of the Newsletter.

I am taking this occasion to send to all of you and to your families the best wishes for the Holiday Season.

*Francesco Righini*

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### **PROCEEDINGS of TEMPMEKO '96**

The Proceedings Volume of TEMPMEKO '96 was printed in early October. It contains 101 peer-reviewed papers grouped in ten homogeneous categories dealing with temperature scale and fixed point realizations, with resistance, noise, thermocouple, radiation and optical thermometry, and with thermophysical property and humidity measurements.

The hardcover Volume (A4 format, ISBN number 88-8218-099-9) contains 607 pages of scientific text plus XIX pages of introductory material. The Volume was obtained from the camera-ready final manuscripts supplied by the authors. The book will not be on sale commercially, but some additional copies have been printed and are available. If interested, please contact the TEMPMEKO '96 Secretariat using the address on the top of this page.

The books were packaged and delivered to the postal system by the Publisher (Levrotto & Bella, Torino) in November. One copy has been sent by

post (surface mail, book rate) to all the Symposium participants paying the full registration fee. Delivery times are expected to be 2-3 weeks for Europe, 2-3 months overseas. For overseas laboratories with several participants in the Symposium, it was arranged to have 1-2 copies delivered via air mail, so that the Volume might be available in each laboratory as soon as possible.

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### **TOWARD TEMPMEKO '99**

Preparations for TEMPMEKO '99 to be organized by NMI-VSL are in progress. The conference dates have been fixed: June 1-3, 1999 (Tuesday to Thursday). There will be registrations and a get together party on May 31 (Monday afternoon) and a visit to NMI-VSL is planned for Friday June 4. The location of TEMPMEKO '99 has yet to be decided: we are lingering between Noordwijkerhout, Delft and Amsterdam.

The dates have been adjusted in consultation with Dr. T. J. Quinn, BIPM so that the Symposium will be held back-to-back with the CCT meeting, to be held in Paris in the following week (June 8-10). Unfortunately a simultaneous liason also with ECTP15 turned out not to be feasible, since that conference had already been planned to take place in Würzburg, Germany in September 1999, but that date was incompatible with BIPM because the GCPM was convening at the same time in Sèvres.

In the mean time the event has been registered by the IMEKO Secretariat, the NOC has been established and formation of the IPC is in preparation. The draft programme has been outlined; by March/April 1998 the First Announcement will be issued and press releases activated.

We look forward to meet again all of you at TEMPMEKO '99.

*Pieter Bloembergen*

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## ***SEMINAR in POLAND***

The international Seminar on "Low Temperature Thermometry and Dynamic Temperature Measurements" was held in Wrocław and in Łądek Zdrój, Poland on September 23-26, 1997. The chairpersons were L. Michalski and A. Szmyrka-Grzebyk. The seminar was organized by the Institute of Low Temperature and Structure Research of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Wrocław and by the Technical University of Łódź. Sponsors were the State Committee for Scientific Research and the Batory Foundation, Warsaw.

The main topics in discussion were the national realizations of ITS-90, temperature determinations below ITS-90, fixed point realizations and different aspects of dynamic temperature measurements. A total of 45 participants from 10 countries attended the Seminar. The program featured 3 invited lectures, 21 oral presentations and 6 posters. A 190-page Proceedings Volume was distributed to all participants at the Seminar.

*Anna Szmyrka-Grzebyk*

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