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Welcome to the second International Ceramic Conference and Exhibition, and the fourteenth biennial meeting to have been organised and hosted by the Australasian Ceramic Society.

This is the first time Perth has been chosen to host and organise an Australasian Ceramic Society Conference, and is indicative of the great interest and impact that ceramics is having, not just in Australia, but throughout the world.

The range and number of papers to be included in the proceedings is most gratifying, and has enabled the Organising Committee to put together an exciting conference appealing to a wide audience. This is reflected by the large number of overseas delegates attending the conference from all parts of the globe, and it is hoped that continued fellowship and technical exchange will be enhanced by this conference.

It is also with much pleasure that we welcome the Australian Clay Products Association (ACPA) to jointly hold their own conference in cooperation with ours. We hope that this affiliation will lead to closer ties between the two organisations to the mutual benefit of both.

The Artist-Potters are not excluded and have organised an affiliated conference and exhibition, which will include ceramic works made by the leading Australian Artist-Potters of today.

This conference will break new ground in bringing together the widest possible range of ceramic interests under the one roof, which is what the conference theme is: "Ceramic Technology – Sharing the Knowledge".

On behalf of the Organising Committee of Austceram '90, we would like to thank all those people and organisations who have supported this conference. Our sponsors have been most generous in ensuring the success of this conference for which we are very grateful.

We thank all the delegates, both national and international, for their interest and attendance at this conference, and trust that it will be a memorable one for every delegate.

Finally, I wish to extend my personal thanks to the members of the Organising Committee who have devoted much time and effort, and have supported me unselfishly to ensure the success of this conference.

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