

PREFACE

The International Symposium on Systems with Fast Ionic Transport (JSFIT) is a discussion meeting of European scientists, created in 1985 in Smolenice/Czechoslovakia, continued in 1988 in Smolenice and now (1991) taking place in Holzgau/Germany.

The Third Symposium in Holzgau was attended by 80 scientists from twelve countries. The limited number of participants and the all-day working and living in one building generated the atmosphere of extended discussions, which characterizes these series of symposia.

The sense of these symposia series was to permit a meeting of scientists from Eastern and Western European Countries in nearly equal terms. This goal could be realized thanks to the sponsorship of the International Society of Electrochemistry, the Siemens AG and the Robert Bosch GmbH/Germany.

The International Advisory Committee of the Symposium concluded, that this type of scientific meeting even in future has its own reason for existence between the large (and expensive) international materials science and solid state ionics conferences. According to the proposal of Polish scientists the fourth continuation should be in Poland in 1994.

The Organizing Committee of the Third International Symposium is indebted to all participants for their active cooperation.

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