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Preface

This volume of Pure and Applied Chemistry contains plenary and invited lectures presented at the Second International Symposium on Macrocyclic Ligands for the Design of New Materials which was held on 29 August - 1 September 1994 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

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The Symposium was arranged by ELARG (European Latin American Research Group). Members of ELARG are academics and industrialists with common interests in developing research strategies and enhancing links between Europe and Latin America.

Dr. M. Salomon, Official Representative of IUPAC; Prof. P.W.H. Butterworth, Senior Academic Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University of Surrey, UK; Prof. F.J. Barrantes, Director of the Institute of Biochemical Research at the National University of the South, Argentina; were among the keynote speakers at the opening of this Symposium.

The Symposium was concerned with different aspects of Macrocyclic Chemistry and related areas. The overall and long-term aim of the meeting was to promote research developments in this field in Latin America through new ideas, contacts, information and expertise.

Two round tables on

- i) Academic and Industrial Links between Latin America and Europe in Research
- ii) Educational Links between Europe and Latin America in Teaching

were organised, with the participation of European and Latin American panellists to whom the organisers are most grateful for maintaining the momentum through the discussion sections.

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- c) members of the Supramolecular and Analytical Chemistry Research Group of the University of Surrey, in particular, the postgraduate students at the Thermochemistry Laboratory.

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