

International Corrosion Council

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Dear Council Member,

This is the first Newsletter to International Corrosion Council (ICC) Members, since I took office as Chairman at the 13th International Corrosion Congress meeting in Melbourne in November 1996. I and the members of the new ICC Executive: Professor D. Landolt (1st Vice-Chairman), Professor H. de Wit (2nd Vice-Chairman), Professor G.C. Wood (Immediate Past Chairman) and Dr. R.J. Hussey (Secretary) wish to send their greetings to all ICC members and look forward to a productive term of office over the next three years. I would like at this time to reiterate our thanks to Professor Graham Wood for his excellent leadership over the last three years and to Professor Procter for the outstanding way he performed as both Secretary and Treasurer of ICC.

With respect to the roles and responsibilities of the new Executive, Professor Landolt will

First Vice Chairman:	Prof. D. Landolt, Switzerland
Second Vice Chairman:	Prof. H. de Wit, Netherlands
Immediate Past Chairman:	Prof. G.C. Wood, Great Britain

14th International Corrosion Congress: Cape Town, South Africa, September 26 - October 1, 1999

continue to chair the Membership Committee and Professor de Wit will promote external ICC relations, in particular to attempt to generate additional income for ICC activities and to establish informal links with other societies. Those of you who were in Melbourne will recall that Council agreed that all ICC members should seek to obtain voluntary financial contributions to the ICC from their national appointing body to support any new activities over the next three years. We are, of course, in a relatively good financial position as a result of the total contribution of about A\$16,000 received from the Australasian Corrosion Association (this being 5% of the registration fees for the 13th International Corrosion Congress). With very pleasant memories of that most successful and rewarding Congress in Melbourne still in mind it is now time to contemplate the 14th ICC meeting in Cape Town, South Africa in September 1999. The Congress in Melbourne will be a hard act to follow. The ICC Executive is convinced, however, that the South Africans and their associated ICC colleagues on the continent of Africa will provide ICC members and corrosion scientists and engineers in general with another memorable and outstanding Congress and with the opportunity to take part in stimulating scientific sessions and discussions, and to promote friendship in a unique location with an unforgettable social program.

The purpose of this and subsequent Newsletters is to keep ICC members aware of current ICC activities and to promote interaction between members. The ICC Executive encourages the participation of ICC members and welcome contributions to the Newsletters. Newsletters will be produced at irregular intervals, when sufficient material has been accumulated. If members wish to submit material for inclusion would they please send it to either myself or to Dr. R.J. Hussey by mail, fax or email (mike.graham@nrc.ca or rex.hussey@nrc.ca).

All ICC members should have received their copies of the Minutes of the ICC meetings that were held on November 24 and 27, 1996. For members that were present it is hoped that these Minutes represent an accurate record of the meetings. For absent members these Minutes should provide an up-to-date account of recent ICC activities. Matters arising from the Minutes and recent items of interest are listed below:

- 1) **ICC Logo** - In Melbourne the Executive Committee was asked to develop and consider various options for an ICC logo. So far two have been received. One is the logo, which the Australasian Corrosion Association used on all the Melbourne Congress literature and the second is that offered by Dr. George Greene, Hong Kong. The Executive Committee urges ICC members to submit additional designs, which should be sent to Dr. R.J. Hussey as soon as possible. The Executive Committee will make a decision at its upcoming meeting in September 1997, so that the South African Organizing Committee can include the logo in promotional literature for the 1999 Congress.
- 2) **Award for Outgoing Chairman** - Dr. R.J. Hussey will contact the members of the Working Party, namely, Mr. D. Whitby, Australia, Professor A.M. Shams el Din, Egypt and Professor O. Trocónis de Rincón, Venezuela to discuss options for an appropriate award.
- 3) **ICC Membership** - The final version of the ICC membership list has now been completed by Professor Landolt, who will mail this updated list to members very soon. In order to keep this list current it is strongly recommended that members send to Professor Landolt details of any changes, e.g. in addresses, phone numbers, etc., that may occur in the future. It is obviously very important that such changes become known to the ICC Executive, so that all members can be kept informed of ICC activities.
- 4) **ICC Sources of Corrosion Information and Survey of Corrosion Research Laboratories** - As you may be aware the ICC Sources of Corrosion Information is now accessible on the world wide web (<http://www.cp.umist.ac.uk/ICC/sources>). This was described by Drs. R.A. Cottis and S.B. Lyon during the ICC meeting held on November 27, 1996. Dr. Lyon is now inputting the Survey, so that it may also be available on the Corrosion Information Server. In order to keep these surveys current, ICC members are urged to send Dr. Hussey details of any changes, e.g. in personnel, addresses, etc., that

may occur in the future. Dr. Hussey will then pass this information on to Dr. Lyon, so that the surveys can be updated on the world wide web.

- 4) **Preliminary Details of the forthcoming 14th ICC** - This is based on information received recently from Mr. R.T. White and Mr. J. McEwan, South Africa.
- The 14th International Corrosion Congress will be held in the Cape Sun Hotel in Cape Town, South Africa from September 26 to October 1, 1999, where it will be Spring and the weather should be ideal.
 - The theme of the Congress will be "Cooperation in Corrosion Control".
 - The heart of the Congress, the technical program, will consist of presentations by plenary and guest speakers invited from around the world, oral and poster presentations, and informal workshops. Over 300 papers will be presented orally and in poster sessions during the five days of the Congress. Each technical session and informal workshop will be chaired by an internationally renowned authority in the field. A preliminary technical program has already been drafted.
 - All papers which are submitted for presentation at the Congress will be refereed by a scientific advisory committee. The refereeing will be done on the basis of a 300 word abstract and the production of a final paper to ensure conformity with the standards of the ICC.
 - A trade exhibition will be held for the duration of the Congress. It will provide an opportunity to display products, services and expertise to conferees working in the field of corrosion throughout the world.

- The meetings of ICC will take place on Sunday afternoon, September 26, and Thursday afternoon, September 30, 1999.
- The social program will take advantage of the magnificent attractions that South Africa has to offer. The Cape Sun Hotel is ideally situated in the centre of Cape Town very close to Table Mountain, the Victoria and Albert waterfront, the Castle and other historic sites. Cape Point, with its unique flora and the scenic wine estates around Stellenbosch, Paarl and Franschhoek, are only a short drive away, as is Hermanus with the best whale viewing from land in the world.
- A welcoming party will be held in the Cape Sun Hotel on Sunday evening, September 26, 1999. On Wednesday afternoon, September 29, 1999, conferees will experience the thrill of a cable car ride to the top of the world-famous Table Mountain. The views of Cape Town and the southern tip of Africa are breathtaking.
- On Thursday evening, September 30, 1999, the major social event of the Congress will be the banquet to be held at a wine estate. Conferees will be able to tour the vineyards and the wine-making facilities, as well as taste the delicacies produced on the estate.
- A number of technical and social visits have been especially organized both before and after the Congress for interested conferees. These include a game viewing safari in the world-renowned Kruger National Park, a visit down one of the deepest gold mines in the world and visits to mining, metal-producing and manufacturing plants both in the western Cape and the industrial heartland of South Africa.
- Announcements, calls for papers, registration and a home page are presently being prepared. More details may be obtained from: The Secretary, The Corrosion Institute of South Africa, P.O. Box 966, Kelvin 2024, South Africa. Tel: +27 (11) 802 5145; Fax:

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The next Newsletter, projected for early 1998, will include new developments, including details of the September 1997 meeting of the Executive Committee. As a final reminder please contact me or Dr. Hussey, if you have any comments on this Newsletter or other matters to report, such as regional or national activities.

With my best personal wishes and those of the Executive committee,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Graham". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

M.J. Graham
Chairman