Note by the Regional Editors

We are glad to have the opportunity to join in this tribute to Professor Lamberto Malatesta, and to express our thanks to Professors Calderazzo and Chiusoli for organizing it.

Professor Malatesta has been a major force in the very impressive development of inorganic and organometallic chemistry in Italy since about 1950. His influence has not, of course, been confined to that country, and the great respect in which his contributions are held by organometallic chemists generally, and the high regard which he enjoys around the world as a person were reflected in the enthusiastic response to the invitations to contribute to this special issue dedicated to him.

We offer Professor Malatesta our warm good wishes for the future.

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