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## Preface

## The Third European Meeting on Boron Chemistry, EUROBORON 3

The meeting was held September 12–16 at Pruhoniceby-Prague, the Czech Republic. This event was a third continuation of EUROBORON tradition established in 1999 at Platja d'Oro, Spain, by the group of Professor F. Teixidor. The second conference was held in 2001 at Manoir de la Vicomté in Dinard, France, and was organized by Dr. M. Vaultier. Also the EUROBORON 3 conference was aimed at making a point about what is going on in Boron Chemistry all over the Europe. Emphasis was placed at giving a chance to a young generation of boron chemists to talk about their work, present their communications, and to meet other people working in the area. All areas of activity in the field of boron chemistry were essentially addressed at the meeting: cluster-boron chemistry, metallaborane chemistry, boron organic chemistry, boron neutron capture therapy (BNCT), and solid-state boron chemistry. The meeting was attended by 131 participants from European and

overseas countries. Six invited lectures (30 min) were presented by J. Plesek (Czech Republic), A. S. Weller (UK), B. Wrackmeyer (Germany), A.R. Kudinov (Russia), L. Wesemann (Germany), and G. Alcaraz (France). Beside these were presented 52 oral communications (20 min) and 58 poster communications. The papers presented in this issue, though representing just a sample of chemistry discussed at the meeting, might perhaps inform the reader on recent trends of boron chemistry in Europe.

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