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Professor Martin Stratmann has joined the Editorial Board

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It is a great pleasure for me to announce that Professor Martin Stratmann has agreed to join the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Solid State Electrochemistry*. Martin Stratmann was born in 1954 in Essen and he studied chemistry at *Ruhr University*, Bochum, as a scholar of the prestigious *Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes*. He achieved his doctorate, on electrochemical studies of phase transitions in iron rust layers, within the very short time span of two years. In 1992 he finished his *Habilitation in Physical Chemistry* (he graduated to the position of Professor), at the University of Düsseldorf. From 1983 to 1984 he worked with E. Yeager at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH, USA, and from 1994 to 1999 he followed H. Kaesche into the position of Chair of Corrosion and Surface Technology at *Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg*. He has been scientific member and director at the *Max-Planck Institute for Iron Research*, Düsseldorf, since 2000, and has held the position of Chairman of Management of that Institute since 2002. He has also been a professor at *Ruhr University*, Bochum, since 2000.

Martin Stratmann is an electrochemist of international standing, very well known for his research in the

fields of fundamentals of corrosion, high-temperature corrosion, polymer films for corrosion protection, chemical surface modification, tribology, and so on. He has received many prestigious honors, awards and prizes: he received the Otto-Hahn-Medal from the Max-Planck-Society in 1985; the Masing Prize from the *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Materialkunde* in 1990; in 1994, 1995 and 1999 he received T. P. Hoar Awards for the best publications in Corrosion Science; the DECHEMA Prize in 1995; in 2004 he became a Fellow of the Electrochemical Society, and in 2005 he received the NACE 2005 Willis Rodney Whitney Award. Since 2003 he has been a curator of the Karl-Winnacker-Institut of DECHEMA, and since 2005 he has been a member of the *Nordrhein-Westfälische Akademie der Wissenschaften*. Prof. Stratmann (together with Al Bard) is an editor of the *Encyclopedia of Electrochemistry*; he is also editor of the journal *Werkstoffe und Korrosion*, and a co-editor of the journal *Steel Research*.

I am very pleased that Martin Stratmann will be lending his great experience in science to the *Journal of Solid State Electrochemistry*, and we welcome him on board!