

Preface

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The 7th Brazilian Congress on Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry (CBRATEC7) was held on 25–28 April, 2010 in a small city, São Pedro, SP. The conference venue was Hotel Fazenda Fonte Colina Verde where most of the participants have been accommodated.

The Organizing Committee established nine sections (A—thermodynamics, thermochemistry, calorimetry, and kinetics; B—Inorganic Chemistry, Metallurgy, and Ceramics; C—Earth Science and Environment; D—Polymers, Petrochemical, and Organic Chemistry; E—Food and Life Sciences; F—Science and Catalysis applied to Technological Processes; G—Materials Science and Nanotechnology; H—Fossil Fuels, Biofuels and Explosives; I—Drug and Polymorphism). In the Opening Ceremony, ABRATEC honored the Prof. Antonio Gouveia de Souza (Paraíba Federal University) due to the excellent work as the second president.

The Conference started with plenary lecture read by Prof. Jean Rouquerol, France. Furthermore six other

plenary lectures (Csaba Novák, Hungary; Watson Loh, Brazil; Peter Simon, Slovakia; Michael Feist, Germany; Jivaldo do Rosário Matos, Brazil; Alan Riga, USA). This event had 283 participants, 313 abstracts in expanded form (with 3–4 pages) were submitted, of which 299 were accepted for presentation as posters. Besides the seven plenary lectures, 13 keynote lectures, nine technical lectures, and 30 oral presentations were given. Also, nine exhibitors that sell equipment for thermal analysis and calorimetry in Brazil were present.

It was decided that the CBRATEC8 will be held in the city of Campos do Jordão, Sao Paulo State, 1–4 April, 2012.

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