



Editorial

The European Ceramic Society and Elsevier have enjoyed a long and valued collaboration in the presentation to the International research community of the Society's journal. The Journal is now established as one of the major research publications in this rapidly advancing field; it has enjoyed levels of impact over recent years which confirm it as a preferred option for the placing of work of significance.

The Society and Elsevier are determined to ensure that the Journal can continue to offer the most effective and flexible route for authors as they prepare their work for publication. Recognising the great convenience presented by the opportunity to submit work electronically and to track the progress of that work towards publication, the Journal is now setting in place a path for online submissions. This will be available from January 2008. To assist the editor, Professor Richard Brook, who will continue to be responsible for hard copy submissions, an Associate Editor responsible for the online submissions is being appointed in the editorial offices at the University of Oxford. He is Dr. Richard

Todd, who has himself an active and distinguished record in the conduct of ceramics research.

To ensure the continuing close cooperation between the Society and Elsevier in the publication of the Journal, a Trust has been established to guide the future development of the Journal. The Society and publisher are both represented on the Board of the Trust; they will be seeking jointly to guide the development of the Journal so that it can continue to provide a valued service to the world of international research in ceramics.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to all authors, referees, readers and Editorial Board Members for their contribution to the continuing success of the journal.

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