

CONFERENCE OF READERS OF INZHENERNO-FIZICHESKII  
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This meeting was held on May 16, 1973 in the Czechoslovak-Soviet Friendship House in Prague.

The conference was attended by scientists from major institutes and undertakings in Czechoslovakia concerned with chemical technology, machine construction, thermal power, and so on, such as the State Machine Construction Research Institute, the Institute of Refrigeration and Food, and the Institute of Thermomechanics of the Czech Academy of Sciences.

The conference was opened by Dr. Valchar, a member of the editorial board of this journal, who spoke of advances in heat and mass transfer research in Czechoslovakia. L. L. Vasil'ev, another member of the editorial board, gave a report on the work of the editorial board during 1972. These addresses were followed by a discussion, in which many topics were raised concerning the basic profile of the journal, and this involved numerous readers.

Questions were raised on the balance between theoretical and experimental studies in the journal, and also the scope for publishing papers by foreign workers. The readers particularly desired a more active participation from the Czech members of the editorial board. Participants in the discussion spoke of the need to give preference to papers of experimental character, especially ones giving detailed descriptions of experimental methods, and ones giving advanced research techniques, such as probe-free diagnosis, interferometry, electron-beam and laser diagnosis, x-ray microscopy, and so on.

This readers' conference was very useful and will undoubtedly facilitate an extension of the readership amongst non-Russian scientists.

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