

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO COORDINATION CHEMISTS

XVIth INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COORDINATION CHEMISTRY

From August 19th to 24th, 1974 some 650 delegates from 37 countries gathered to attend the XVIth International Conference on Coordination Chemistry held in Dublin, Ireland. Under the guidance of the President of the Conference, David Brown, the organisation was excellent. The Organising Committee brought together a first-class group of internationally known scientists to generate what must be considered a most successful programme. In addition, the hospitality and generosity of the Irish people was evident in the social aspect of the week. With even the weather cooperating and plenty of Guinness or Irish whiskey to drink, I am sure that most, if not all, of the delegates left Dublin having passed a very pleasant week.

Plenary Lecturers Vallee, Balhausen, Taube, Lewis and Martell initiated sections of the programme involving biological aspects of coordination chemistry, physical methods and bonding, inorganic reaction mechanisms, reactions of coordinated ligands including catalysis and coordination chemistry and the environment, respectively. They were supported by 21 Section Lecturers and some 166 contributed papers. The massive Proceedings includes not only abstracts of these papers, but an additional 66 papers placed on reserve. An excellent discussion held during the environmental section and the interest shown in bioinorganic chemistry suggests that these two areas will play a dominant role in future conferences.

The Editor's Desk.

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XVIIth INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COORDINATION CHEMISTRY

The XVIIth International Conference on Coordination Chemistry will be organised from 6 to 10 September 1976 in Hamburg (Federal Republic of Germany). The Conference will be concerned with recent developments in the following fields:

- (1) Structure and bonding
- (2) Novel synthetic routes
- (3) Kinetics and reaction mechanisms
- (4) Catalytic and technological aspects
- (5) New types and concepts in coordination compounds

Organisation will be undertaken by Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker and all enquiries about this Conference should be sent to Dr. W. Fritsche, Secretary, XVIIth I.C.C.C., c/o Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker, P.O. Box 90 04 40, D-6000 Frankfurt/Main 90, Federal Republic of Germany.

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A residential EUCHEM Conference on "Enzymatic and homogeneous catalysis", will be held in Santander, Spain, on 13--18 July, 1975. Lectures and round table discussions on homogeneous catalysis, biocatalysis, differences and analogies, points of contact, insolubilized enzymes, present status of the research, future trends, how to bridge the gap between homogeneous and enzymatic catalysis, etc., will be held.

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