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FOREWORD

This publication is a record of the proceedings of the Second International Ferro-Alloys Congress, INFACON 80, which was held in Lausanne, Switzerland, from the 13th to the 16th October, 1980.

The Congress was informally opened on 12th October by a Welcome Buffet in the Hôtel Beau-Rivage. The technical sessions started on 13th October in Palais de Beaulieu, preceded by the Opening Address given by Mr. R. Björklund, President of IPFEO and of the Organizing Committee.

In all, 18 technical papers were presented. Four general lectures introduced each morning session.

On Thursday morning, 16th October, before the Closing Address, an International Panel expressed their views on two chosen topics and answered questions raised by delegates.

Apart from the 100 accompanying ladies, four hundred participants from 28 countries attended the Congress, which proves the interest of such an international convention.

During the Congress, accompanying ladies visited the surrounding region : Romainmôtier on 13th October, and Gruyères on 14th October.

The official banquet took place in the Hôtel Royal in Evian, France, on 15th October.

After the Congress, 102 delegates left on 2-3 day post-congress tours, to :

- Belgium/France Visit of SADACEM in Gent (FeMn and FeMo)
Visit of Compagnie Universelle d'Acétylène
et d'Electro-Métallurgie in Dunkerque
(FeSi, recovery of energy)
- France Visit of Bozel Electrométallurgie in Angletfort
(FeSi and silicon alloys)
Visit of Compagnie Universelle d'Acétylène
et d'Electro-Métallurgie in Laudun (FeSi)
- Finland Visit of Outokumpu Oy Stainless Steel Division
in Tornio (FeCr and stainless steel plants)
and chromium mine and concentrators in Kemi