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Dear colleagues,

Today I am happy to announce that both Alison Tomlin and Volker Sick have accepted the invitation to serve as the editors of the Proceedings of the Combustion Institute for a six-year period until 2018. Both have been active in the combustion community in many ways and functions; for Volker, it is a continuation of his present editor role. Please see some information on Alison's and Volker's background below.

Alison will start January 1, 2013, and be introduced to the journal by her predecessor as editor, Philip de Goey. Philip had made space for this important job in his already-too-busy agenda, and upon his own request, he will move early next year to obligations at his university and in the scientific community. We are greatly indebted to Philip for his tireless dedication and high-quality service for the Combustion Institute – thank you, Philip!

The past weeks, we have discussed editorial aspects in several committees, including copyright issues, open access publishing, the various functions of the manuscript handling platform and the interactions between International Symposia and publication in the Proceedings. For the publishing activities of the Combustion Institute, we have started to convene electronically with an **ad-hoc Publication Committee**, composed of the editors of Combustion and Flame, Fokion Egolfopoulos and Philippe Dagaut, the current editors of the Proceedings, Volker Sick and Philip de Goey, now supported by incoming editor Alison Tomlin, the Program Chairs for the 35th Symposium, Thierry Poinot and Suk Ho Chung, and President-Elect Jim Driscoll, CI Executive Administrator Barb Waronek and myself. Well ahead of the paper submission for the International Symposium, the submission process, timing, reviewing, negative and positive experiences and potential chances for improvement are being addressed, also discussing ideas that were brought forward by the membership at various occasions.

While the Symposium planning for San Francisco has started, the Executive Committee, Finance Committee and the President and Vice Presidents are continuing to meet regularly by electronic conference calls. Marcus Aldén and Hideaki Kobayashi have started with Barb and the Sections to add international members to the CI internet database, and you may be invited through your Section to update or enter your contacts for this purpose. The internet pages of the Institute will also be a target of discussion, and I have sent an inquiry to all Board members to solicit their ideas. We plan to add more information in the future, as soon as work capacity for this is available after the publishing process for the Proceedings Volume 34 is completed. Watch out for new information and functions as they become available!

Best wishes

Katharina Kohse-Höinghaus

President

Alison Tomlin is Professor of Environmental Modelling in the Energy Research Institute at the University of Leeds. Her research interests include both combustion and atmospheric science, especially concerning pollutant emissions and climate change. She has served as a past secretary of the British Section of the Combustion Institute and is also a current member of the UK Air Quality Expert Group (AQEG) which provides advice to Government on the sources and trends of a range of air pollutants.

Volker Sick is a professor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA. He also serves as Associate Vice President for Research and Director of the W. E. Lay Automotive Laboratory. His research is focused on developing and using optical measurement techniques to enable studies of mass and energy transfer at high pressures and high temperatures.