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FOREWORD

The Organising Committee for the Society's 1999 Conference welcomes all participants to the Olympic City of Sydney. The year 1999 coincides with the 10th anniversary of the Newcastle Earthquake and to recognise this, the theme for this year's conference is "The 10th Anniversary of the Newcastle Earthquake – Lessons Learnt". The Conference program draws on this theme and complements it with presentations covering a wide range of topics including new aseismic design methods, seismicity, qualification tests, seismic risk and hazard, earthquake related social and legal issues and others.

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