## **Preface**

## For Further Development of Flow Visualization



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The 8th International Symposium on Flow Visualization (8-ISFV) was held at Sorrento, Italy, on September 1 to 4, 1998. It was organized by Prof. G.M. Carlomagno of Naple University and had 293 papers presented in 39 sessions. This number is nearly twice as much as that of the previous symposia, that might have been not only owed to the efforts and hospitality of Prof. Carlomagno and his colleagues but also represents the flourishing of the flow visualization and ISFV itself.

Last year, the visualization Society of Japan has founded the J. of Visualization, published quarterly. Since then, some of the Journals have been edited as special issues of international symposia or workshops, and now the Journal of Vol. 2, No. 1 is issued as the special one on the 8-ISFV.

Due to its limited space, however, only a limited number of the papers and photographs should have been selected from many brilliant ones. The overview on the 8-ISFV is also given by Prof. Carlomagno. A few of the selected papers were submitted with delay, so they had to be kept for the next issue. We would expect to have some of the others to be submitted in the following issues. In this issue, two of the paper and photograph each are not related to the ISFV, spared from the previous issues.

Finally, on behalf of the editors, I would express hearty thanks to the authors, reviewers and the Organizing Committee members of the 8-ISFV for their collaboration.

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