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FOREWORD

Only one International Conference on Coastal Engineering has been held in the same city thus far. Moreover no country has been the venue for more than one Conference except the United States. Although repeat venues are not discouraged, the extremely time consuming activities of planning and conducting a major international conference do not encourage a second effort by the same group. Having the venue in different countries allows the participants to learn first hand about coastal problems and solutions around the world. This approach also allows those engineers and coastal scientists who could not travel to foreign countries to meet the international coastal community.

The papers in this *Proceedings* have been prepared by the authors who made presentations at the 18th International Conference on Coastal Engineering. The authors were asked to make their presentations and submit final papers based on review of the abstracts that were submitted well in advance of the conference. These abstracts were reviewed by a committee of four professionals including representation from the local organizing committee. All papers are eligible for discussion in the Journal of the Waterway, Port, Coastal and Ocean Division. All papers are eligible for ASCE Awards.

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