

## **ACCV 2002 MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAMME CO-CHAIRS**

On behalf of the Organising Committee, we are very pleased to present the Proceedings of the 2002 Asian Conference on Computer Vision.

We received 189 papers from a wide community spanning academia and industry. Despite the time of year, reluctance to fly and the distance to Australia from most parts of the world, we were pleasantly surprised at the interest in the conference.

The papers were submitted in full length. Each paper was blind reviewed by a panel of experts, and, after an exacting review process, 152 papers were accepted. There are 85 oral presentations and 67 posters in the programme. We believe that the excellence of the technical program will demonstrate the breadth of research ranging from fundamental issues through to new applications in this expanding discipline.

The reviewers of the papers did an excellent job within a very tight schedule, and for this we thank them. The review process was web based with all papers available to the reviewers electronically. There were the usual problems of submitted papers not being printable or even displayable but the reviewers coped with these problems. Thanks go to David Suter and his team for managing the web-based system for submission and review of papers and for managing the details of the review process.

Welcome to ACCV-2002 in Melbourne Australia. We hope that you will find this meeting productive and that you enjoy your time in Australia.

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