## Formation of International INCE is Announced

(This is the text of the announcement of the formation of the International Institute of Noise Control Engineering by Professor Fritz Ingerslev of the Technical University of Denmark. The announcement was made at the end of the INTER-NOISE 74 Plenary Session on 30 September 1974 -Ed.

It is my privilege to announce the formation of the International Institute of Noise Control Engineering. The formation of this new organization is the result of discussions held between general chairmen and other organizers of INTER-NOISE 72 in Washington and INTER-NOISE 73 in Copenhagen. The number of participants and the quality of the papers presented at the two previous conferences and the present conference proves that such conferences are important channels of communication. An INTER-NOISE conference is a valuable form for effective exchange of information on noise control to the benefit of the public, private industry and governmental bodies. The formation of this new organization was foreseen when the Institute of Noise Control Engineering of the United States of America was founded three years ago. On 13 January 1971, a group 4 of 85 noise control engineers met at Arden House to discuss the formation of INCE/U.S.A. INCE-U.S.A. is primarily an organization for American Engineers who are concerned with engineering control of noise. Because interest in control of noise is worldwide, it was decided that INCE U.S.A. should encourage the formation of an International Institute of Noise Control Engineering, International INCE. The discussion held between the general chairmen and other organizers of the previous INTER-NOISE conferences has proved that the time is right for the formation of the International Institute of Noise Control Engineering. The Institute is a non-profit organization, established on the basis of Swiss civil law. The date of establishment will be 1 October 1974. The purpose of the Institute comprise: the organization of international conferences, the international exchange of information and news items, the promotion of international cooperation in research on noise control and application of engineering techniques for the control of noise. And fourth, the development of interdisciplinary contacts between noise control engineering and the other fields of work. Membership is open to non-profit

societies concerned with the areas of interest defined above provided that they in turn are open for membership by individuals. The Board of Directors consists of the President, the Secretary of the Institute and six Directors. Of the six Directors, one will represent the International Commission on Acoustics, four represent preceeding INTER-NOISE Conferences, and one is a Director at large. The Director at large is appointed by INCE/U.S.A. as the founder organization of the INTER-NOISE series of conferences. The initial Board of Directors includes Dr. Mattei. France, President of ICA, Dr. Crocker, U.S., representing INTER-NOISE 72, Mr. Juhl Peterson, Denmark, representing INTER-NOISE 73, Dr. Lang. U.S., Director at large, Dr. Rathe, Switzerland, is the Secretary, and I have the honor to be the President. INCE/U.S.A. has, as I already mentioned, appointed Dr. William Lang, vice president of INCE/ U.S.A. as Director at large of International INCE. This appointment is very important. The enthusiasm and optimism which are two outstanding characteristics of Dr. Lang will, without doubt, contribute very much to a successful future of International INCE. I am not going to present today more detailed information concerning the International INCE. Such information including the by-laws will be published in the near future. I will conclude by this announcement by asking all of you to assist International INCE. Your support is very important if International INCE is to serve for the benefit of mankind.

Editors Note: Non-profit organizations open to individual membership and having an interest in noise control can obtain more details on International INCE by writing to the Secretary, Dr. Eric Rathe, International INCE, 8332 Zurich-Russikon, Switzerland. More details concerning International INCE will appear in a future issue of NOISF NEWS.