

FOREWORD

"Technology Innovations for the 90s" is the theme for INFACON'89 -- the fifth International Ferroalloy Congress sponsored by the Ferroalloys Association of the United States. This volume preprints the 32 papers that will be presented at this international meeting in the order that they will be presented. A subsequent volume will contain the guest lectures and the panel discussion.

In putting together the sessions for this meeting, the Technical Committee of INFACON'89 selected papers so that as many technical aspects of the ferroalloy industry were represented as possible. In addition, the Committee avoided a natural preponderance of papers from the United States in favor of a balanced representation from all parts of the world.

The Technical and Organizing Committees wish to express their appreciation to all those who contributed to the success of the technical program.