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## ***Postscript***

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My first experience in attending the international conference related with surface and interface analysis was ECASIA '93, which was held in Sicily in 1993. As you know, Sicily is surrounded by the Mediterranean Sea and used to be the crossroad of foreign cultures. The ECASIA is one of the most successful conferences in our field of surface characterization. People who want to get information on the progress in this field can gather in every two years. For Japan, the international PSA meeting has been successfully held in every three years,

jointed with Korea-Japan symposium.

Now our first attempt to hold a unique workshop is launched in Okinawa, which is located in the southern part of Japan and surrounded with Korea, China, Taiwan. Also Okinawa used to be the important crossroad of the East China Sea. We hope that the workshop in Okinawa make the close community of surface and interface analysts in the East Asia. Let's bring together!

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