## PREFACE

Dear readers,

We present here a double issue of the Journal dedicated Wind Engineering. Its content is based on materials of The 3-rd East European Conference on Wind Engineering "EECWE-2002", held on May 21–25, 2002, in Kyiv, Ukraine. Despite of the regional status of the Conference, the geography of the participants has reached far beyond East Europe. So, the reports not only from Ukraine, Russia, Belarus, Poland, Czech Republic, and Romania, but also from Italy, France, Canada, Japan, Argentina, and Taiwan were presented at the Conference. It allows us to say that the materials of EECWE-2002 represent the worldwide up-to-date state of the art in field of recording and simulation of natural wind processes, wind aerodynamics, fluid-structure interaction, and designing the wind power plants.

Naturally, the articles presented at the conference, were frequently written briefly and in quite an arbitrary manner, in contrary to the tradition of writing full-scale papers. It is explained by the fact that the participants made the "informational stress" on their oral presentations and subsequent discussion. All this has required additional work with materials after the conference. Editorial board of the Journal is grateful to the authors who have offered the extended variants of the reports made at EECWE-2002.

We hope that this issue will appear to be interesting and useful for specialists working in the field of aero-hydromechanics and wind engineering.

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