Preface

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The *International Nuclear Atlantic Conference* (INAC 2005) was held in Santos, Brazil, from 28 August to 2 September 2005 at the Mendes Convention Center. The conference was truly international in scope and participation, as several countries were well represented by talented researchers in nuclear science and engineering. INAC 2005 was promoted by the Brazilian Association for Nuclear Energy (ABEN) (www.aben.com.br). We would like to express our deep appreciation to all the sponsors.

Santos was indeed a good choice and any initial concern with keeping our colleagues in the lecture rooms despite the fantastic beaches just outside were unwarranted.

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