## **Preface**

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The International Conference on Thermal Engineering Theory and Applications (ICTEA) is organised every year by Ryerson University, Canada in a different venue of the developing world known for its activities in the field of computational and applied sciences and engineering. This conference is an excellent chance for scientific exchange for the developing world researchers from academia and industry meet with international scientist from different academic and research centres across the world.

The 10th ICTEA 2017 was held in Muscat, Oman in collaboration with Sultan Qaboos University. ICTEA 2017 included 80 oral presentations and posters along with six keynote lectures given by distinguished computational engineering and sciences experts. The conference chairperson M. Ziad Saghir of Ryerson University, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, is thankfully acknowledged the impressive and perfect organisation, as well as through editing the book of proceedings following a very successful conference provided by Sultan Qaboos University.

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Papers accepted and presented during ICTEA 2017 were invited to submit a full lengthy paper in a call to a special issue of the *International Journal of Aerodynamics* of Inderscience publishers. Six of the 80 papers submitted to *IJAD* were accepted.

The organising committee of ICTEA conference series and the guest editors hope that this special issue will offer researchers with many stimulating vision into recent advances in thermal engineering theory and applications and related themes, and to help in research exchange between different countries. The guest editors are very grateful to the *International Journal of Aerodynamics* for their kind support on publication of this special issue. The editors also would like to thank the referees who helped to review the papers in this special issue of ICTEA 2017 and Inderscience Publishers (UK).