## EDITORIAL

## AWS joins hands with IWJ



Dear Members,

It was reported in an earlier issue that our institute had signed an agreement with the American Welding society for mutual cooperation between the two Institutes in their respective areas of interest devoted to adaptation of science , technology and application of welding and allied processes including joining, brazing, soldering, cutting and thermal spraying.

Readers will be happy to know that to take the matter forward, the American Welding Society has now joined hands with the IWJ and I am pleased to inform that with effect from the April 2007 issue the journal would be brought out jointly with AWS. In each issue there will in exclusive AWS section, containing editorials, technical

papers, technical questions & answers, membership information and other interesting items. The details of the planned joint publication has been printed separately.

India is fast becoming a global hub of manufacturing and in view of this association with the American Welding Association would indeed be immensely beneficial for the Welding Professionals of India as this would make the journal an very effective means of gaining as well sharing the latest in welding technology. We invite suggestions and comments from our readers about making our journal much more informative and effective.

I must also thank all those including council members and office staff of the IIW for their all out drive which has helped us to get more advertisements for the journal. In fact the publication of the journal had to be delayed to accommodate the incoming advertisement, but I hope the members would bear with me for this.

A report of the recently held NWS 2006 and Weld India and the Weld India 2006 has been published in this issue along with 5 technical papers-some of which won award at the NWS 2005. All these should be interesting to our valued readers.

With warm regards

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