

Foreword

It is my pleasure to be involved in the 15th International Laser Ranging Service (ILRS) Workshop in Canberra from 15 to 20 October 2006.

This will be the second time in 30 years that Australia has hosted this prestigious meeting of space scientists. This is an honour for Canberra and for Australia, due to the leading role that Australian scientists and technologists play in this field.

I would like to thank all of you who have travelled to our shores to participate in this event, and also those who have made contributions but were not able to be here.

I would particularly like to acknowledge our sponsors whose generosity has made this Workshop possible:

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Welcome to our beautiful city. We hope you enjoy your stay and find great benefit in the Workshop discussions.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Ron Thompson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a checkmark-like flourish at the end.

Ron Thompson
Chair, Local Organising Committee