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The 2008 Ground-based and Airborne Telescopes conference brought together a large number of participants from around the world, and their oral and poster papers are contained in these proceedings. In this year's conference we had more invited papers than usual (16), reflecting the large number of significant telescope projects currently active, and the results were favorable—the invited talks were very well attended and generated a lot of interest.

The conference offered outstanding geographical and technical diversity, with reports about astronomy projects on all seven continents, involving both ground-based and airborne telescopes working in the UV, visible, IR, and radio wavelengths, and engaged in night-time and solar astronomy. It covered a full range of activities including planning, designing, constructing, integrating, commissioning, and upgrading new and existing telescopes, from portable telescopes used for site testing to extremely large telescopes with collecting areas up to a square kilometer.

The conference sessions included project reports on ground-based optical-IR telescopes, radio and sub-mm telescopes, airborne telescopes, solar telescopes, Antarctic telescopes, and future giant telescopes. There were also sessions on a number of technical subjects, including site testing, integration, and commissioning; telescope alignment and control; telescope structures; wind loading, and segmented mirror alignment and phasing.

It is gratifying to see that the high level of telescope-building activity that developed in the 1990s has continued strong into the 21st century, with successful completion of many projects and the initiation of many more that offer exciting scientific prospects for the coming decade. As many of the projects get bigger, finding funding for them will be a continuing challenge, but we are encouraged to see the emergence of strong astronomy programs in many of the rapidly developing countries of the world that offer the promise of broadening the base of astronomical facilities to serve this expanding community.

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