Editorial

In early 1987, the Editorial Board accepted the proposal by the Director of the Glasshouse Crops Research Station to publish a special issue on the occasion of the inauguration of the new accommodation and research facilities at Naaldwijk. Since then, many staff members and guest co-workers of the Research Station have been encouraged to prepare a scientific paper to be included in this issue. It is a real pleasure to present Vol. 36(3) of our Journal, which contains 14 research papers covering a wide diversity of topics, all connected with glasshouse crops cultivation.

The subjects as presented in this issue clearly reflect: a) the complexity of applied research related to this 'branch of industry'; and b) the need for close collaboration with scientists from different disciplines and institutions in order to quantify apparently conflicting interests and to provide the proper ingredients for adequate managerial decisions by commercial flower and vegetable growers.

We are grateful to all authors for their serious attempts to meet the criteria for contributions to the Journal and to satisfy the wishes of the referees. Contact between the Research Station and the Editoral Office was maintained by W. A. van Winden and G. Weststeijn. It is no exageration to state that without their contagious energy and enthusiasm this issue would not have appeared in its present form.

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