

Message from the Secretary

You will find the papers presented at the G.C.I.R.C.-meetings of the Study Committees in Cambridge in July 1985 in this issue.

These texts are a good example of rapeseed research in the different countries represented at the G.C.I.R.C.-meetings. They also underline the interest of regular scientific exchanges organized by G.C.I.R.C. for nearly 15 years brought about by rapeseed conferences and biennial meetings.

The Study Committee in Cambridge gathered 79 research-workers from 13 countries. Moreover, we were pleased to welcome representatives from the People's Republic of China, Finland, Ethiopia and the United-States for the first time in such meetings.

Besides usual themes (breeding, product quality), studies on cropping methods and plant protection were particularly emphasized. The repercussions of these exchanges cover thus a wide range of research about rapeseed, from seeds to foodstuffs through production techniques.

We shall thank Dr. Thompson and his colleagues from Cambridge quite warmly for the perfect organization of these meetings in this prestigious University Centre of Cambridge, which is so appropriate to thinking and exchanges.

Moreover, our British colleagues were particularly qualified to welcome us following considerable progress of rapeseed production and utilization in their country.

The next outstanding opportunity of exchanges on rapeseed will be the Rapeseed Conference in Poznan in 1987. Remember this date, and be successful in your research !

The Secretary
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