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## Editorial

This larger-than-usual issue of *ReCALL* may be seen as a watershed in the development of our publication. As well as articles and reviews, we have included a full report on EuroCall 93, together with abstracts of all the papers presented. Those who attended the conference will have seen these already, but we felt that others might well be interested. Selected papers from EuroCall 93 will be published towards the end of 1994 as a special issue of *Computers and Education* (Pergamon).

The first two articles in this issue of *ReCALL* stem from the Third Expert Seminar on Educational Technology in Language Learning, held in Hull in November 1992: Leslie Davis provides an insight into the concept of 'language engineering', whilst the article by Diana Laurillard and Patricia Manning focuses on a design methodology based on identifying students' needs. Loredana Polezzi and Roger Austin/Florian Mendlick offer illuminating accounts of computer assisted language learning in their respective universities.

Now that a formal EUROCALL organisation has been established (see Press Release on page 35), *ReCALL* will become the joint publication of CTICML and EUROCALL, and will include a refereed section. From 1994, the journal will only be available on subscription to EUROCALL members, and free of charge to U.K. university-sector libraries. The *ReCALL NewsSheet* will be replaced by a much-enlarged *ReCALL Newsletter*, containing short articles and reviews as well as information. This will be distributed free of charge to teachers in all HEFC-funded institutions through the established mechanism. Individuals outside the funded constituency who currently receive both publications will continue to receive the Newsletter.

We hope that the new European focus will enhance the *ReCALL* journal, and that many of our existing readers will become EUROCALL subscribers, in order to continue receiving *ReCALL*, and to benefit from the other advantages of EUROCALL membership.

June Thompson