

PREFACE

Proceedings of the 36th Annual Conference of the Mathematics Education Group of Australasia (MERGA 2013) have been compiled in two volumes. The 2013 Conference was hosted by the Graduate School of Education at the University of Melbourne, the first time the conference has been held in Melbourne since 2005. The theme of the conference was *Mathematics Education: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow*. One feature of the 2013 annual MERGA conference was the shared common day with the Australian Association of Mathematics Teachers. MERGA presentations comprised research papers, symposia, posters, round tables and short communications, and covered a wide variety of topics relevant to mathematics education across all countries, but with a particular focus on the Australasia region. Research into mathematics education at primary, secondary and tertiary levels of education was covered.

In accordance with the established MERGA procedures all research papers and symposium papers were blind peer-reviewed, as were the abstracts for short communications, round tables, and posters. Research papers were accepted for both publication and presentation or for presentation only. Volume 1 of the proceedings contains the keynote papers, the practical implications award paper and about half of the research papers that were accepted for publication; the remaining research papers together with the abstracts of short communications, round tables and posters, and the symposium papers are included in Volume 2.

The Editorial Team are thanked for their diligent efforts in ensuring that all papers used the MERGA conference paper template and adhered to the set page limit for all proposals. Where format changes were required the Editorial Team made modifications in consultation with the authors. Consequently the authors remain solely responsible for the contents of their papers. We believe that the proceedings will constitute a worthwhile resource for both the participants and researchers with an interest in mathematics education.

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