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Note from Editor

The annual Association for Bahá'í Studies conference this year was held on the 14th April. Some of the talks presented at the conference inspired the papers that appear in this volume. The United Nations General assembly adopted a resolution in 1998 to make the first year of the twenty-first century the International Year of "Dialogue Among Civilizations". Since the Singapore Bahá'í Studies Conference is dedicated to promoting religious and cultural harmony, it is therefore fitting that both our 2001 annual conference and this volume focus on "Dialogue Among Civilizations".

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