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The editors and conference chairs thank the participants who attended the Remote Sensing of the Ocean, Sea Ice, and Large Water Regions 2009 conference in Berlin, Germany. The Berlin conference center was an excellent venue for the conference

The selected authors, and their reviewed papers for presentation and publication in this volume, continue to make important contributions to the open scientific literature in remote sensing of the water surface.

Several technical sub-committee members also presided over the sessions at the conference and we appreciate their time in assisting with the conduct of the conference. Of particular note are the excellent papers regarding ocean optics, water surface imaging and simulation, and benthic airborne sensing and related mapping.

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