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Materials Research Society Announces Vice President and New Board Members for 2013

WARRENDALE, PA – [October 18, 2012] – The Materials Research Society (MRS) is proud to announce the Vice President and new Board members for the 2013 year, elected by the Society's global membership of almost 16,000.

Tia Benson Tolle, The Boeing Company, will serve as MRS Vice President beginning January 1, 2013. She will lead the Board of Directors as MRS President in 2014, and finish her three-year term as Immediate Past President in 2015. More information on Benson Tolle can be found at www.mrs.org/2012-elections-benson-tolle.

In addition, the election brings five new members to the MRS Board of Directors, who will serve three-year terms beginning January 1, 2013. They are:

- [David Cahen](#), Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel
- [Sossina M. Haile](#), California Institute of Technology, USA
- [Andrea M. Hodge](#), University of Southern California, USA
- [Fiona C. Meldrum](#), University of Leeds, UK
- [Eric A. Stach](#), Brookhaven National Laboratory, USA

The MRS Board of Directors is the governing body of the Materials Research Society and is responsible for setting the strategic direction of major Society activities.

MRS is a growing, vibrant, international organization of almost 16,000 materials researchers from academia, industry and government, and a recognized leader in promoting the

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advancement of interdisciplinary materials research to improve the quality of life. MRS members are engaged and enthusiastic professionals hailing from physics, chemistry, biology, mathematics and engineering—the full spectrum of materials research. In MRS they find an environment for collaboration and open exchange of ideas across all scientific disciplines.

Headquartered in Warrendale, Pennsylvania (USA), MRS membership now spans over 80 countries, with more than 40 percent of members residing outside the United States. In addition to its communications and publications portfolio, MRS organizes high-quality scientific meetings, attracting over 13,000 attendees annually and facilitating interactions among a wide range of experts from the cutting edge of the global materials community. MRS is also a recognized leader in education outreach and advocacy for scientific research.

More information about the Materials Research Society can be found on its website, www.mrs.org.

Photos of elected officers available upon request at fornataro@mrs.org.

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