

Welcome – and a sad adieu



↘ EUREKA's new head, Michel Viaillefosse, was formally welcomed to his post at a reception hosted by the Secretariat on 17 September. Guests included Paul Mehring (left) and Dr Jean-Pierre Noblanc, chairmen of ITEA and MEDEA+ respectively, and

senior European industrialists and government representatives. However, it is with sadness that we announce the sudden death of Dr Noblanc a few days later. His pioneering spirit and commitment to Europe's microelectronics industry, and to European innovation in general, will be greatly missed.