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Paolo Cascini* (cascini@math.ucsb.edu), Department of Mathematics, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 91381. *On the Minimal Model Program for Varieties of General Type.*

The aim of the Minimal Model Program is to generalize the classification of complex projective surfaces, known in the early 20th century, to higher dimensional varieties. Besides providing a historical introduction, we will discuss some recent results and new aspects of this Program. (Received August 01, 2007)