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1. Report by the Editorial Committee of IABSE

It has been decided to report from time to time in the IABSE BULLETIN on the activities of the Editorial Committee of IABSE, mainly on the publication program, surveys under preparation or discussion, fields of interest for papers to be presented and other matters of interest.

This first report is somewhat extended giving information on the composition of the Committee, its tasks, the way it works and the problems it faces.

1. Composition of the Editorial Committee

The Editorial Committee of IABSE is an ad hoc committee consisting of five technical advisers (one for each working commission), the executive director and the secretary of the Technical Committee of IABSE, who acts as chairman. In reviewing papers members of the editorial committee ask for advice from eminent members of Working Commissions and Task Groups of IABSE working in the respective field whenever they judge that such advice would be necessary.

2. The task of the Editorial Committee

The Editorial Committee mainly handles the IABSE PERIODICA, while congress reports and the reports from symposia and seminars published in the series "Reports of the Working Commissions" are prepared by the various working commissions and task groups. Within the IABSE PERIODICA, five series are to be distinguished. The series "IABSE SURVEYS" contains surveys or state-of-the-art-reports on specific fields of interest. Surveys are initiated by Working Commissions and Task Groups of IABSE. These commissions and groups ask eminent specialists from IABSE to prepare such papers. The commissions help the reporters in collecting material, providing them with the necessary personal contacts and giving advice on the contents of the papers. The Editorial Committee supports these activities, coordinates the work, especially with respect to the time scheduled, and decides on the order of publication.

The series "IABSE PROCEEDINGS" and the series "IABSE JOURNAL" are open for publication to every member. There is a general request to every member of IABSE to submit papers. The Editorial Committee reviews the papers sent in for possible publication. It asks for further advice when necessary and decides which papers will be accepted. Taking into consideration the various interests of IABSE

members and the space available in the IABSE PERIODICA, the Editorial Committee tries to maintain a well-balanced distribution of all aspects of structural engineering, and at the same time to reach an outstanding level with respect to the scientific, technical and practical quality of the publications.

The series "IABSE STRUCTURES" present 2 pages articles describing modern structures.

In each booklet a special topic is considered. We try to maintain the following yearly pattern:

- structures in the country holding the IABSE Symposium
- special topic
- recent structures
- special topic

The last series, "IABSE BULLETIN," presents administrative and technical information, usually in all 3 languages of IABSE, i.e. English, French and German; sometimes only in one of these languages.

3. The working procedure of the Editorial Committee

The Editorial Committee meets on a quarterly basis, i.e. in March, June, September and December. In between, the activity of the Committee is carried out by correspondence and telephone. Taking into account this schedule, papers should be in the hands of the secretariat at the beginning of February, May, August and November to assure proper reviewing for the next Editorial Committee meeting.

4. Program of Publication

The topics for the series "IABSE STRUCTURES" have been fixed as follows:

- in November 1980: Recent Structures;
- in February 1981: Structures in Great Britain;
- in May 1981: Launching gantries in bridge construction;
Poutres autolanceuses dans la construction de ponts;
Vorschubgerüste für den Brückenbau;
- in August 1981: Recent Structures;
- in November 1981: Harbour Structures;
Constructions portuaires;
Hafenbauten.

For the series "IABSE SURVEYS" the papers mentioned below are under preparation. Following the title the author's name is indicated. The name of the technical adviser who is in charge of the coordination of the work is given in brackets.

- Box Girders in Reinforced Concrete, Schlaich (Favre)
- Polymere Concrete, Pietrzykowski (Favre)
- Dynamics of Concrete Railway Structures, Machida (Favre)
- Protection against Corrosion of Cables for Cable-Stayed Bridges, Brown (Badoux)
- Strengthening and Stiffening of Existing Structures, Warner (Favre)
- Fastening Techniques in Concrete, Rehm (Favre)
- Design for Fire in Steel Structures, Brozzetti and Holand (Badoux)
- Experiences about Use of Weathering Steel in Bridges and Buildings, Fisher et al. (Badoux)
- Dynamics of Concrete Buildings, Takizawa and Umemura (Favre)
- Serrage des boulons en Europe, van Douwen (Badoux)

The following themes have been discussed but the reporters' names have not yet been fixed. The name mentioned behind each title represents the name of the coordinating technical adviser:

- Soil-Structure Interaction Problems, Gehri
- Industrial Cranes, Badoux
- New Welding Techniques, Badoux

Anybody who feels able to assist in the preparation of the above mentioned Surveys or who would like to propose new themes or to make any suggestion is requested to refer to the Secretariat of IABSE.

5. Publications and unpublished papers of IABSE members

The Editorial Committee will include in this rubric of the IABSE BULLETIN summaries of important research or theoretical papers which could not be published in the IABSE PERIODICA giving the address of the respective author for further contacts. Furthermore, the members of the Editorial Committee think it would be useful to inform the reader about important publications, mainly about books by IABSE members published elsewhere. Members of IABSE who wish to announce such publications are requested to send the appropriate information (about 100 words) to the IABSE Secretariat.

We look forward to many contributions and information from our members. A choice will have to be made so as to ensure the quality and the level of our publications, but also due to space available in the IABSE PERIODICA.

This is all for the time being. Please look into the next issues of the Bulletin for more information.

Jörg Schneider
Chairman, Editorial Committee

Résumé

Le rapport du Professeur Schneider, président du Comité de rédaction, a pour but d'informer le lecteur sur la composition et la méthode de travail du Comité de rédaction.

Le programme de publication et la liste des REVUES AIPC en cours de préparation sont donnés.

Les membres de l'AIPC sont invités à collaborer aux publications de l'AIPC; il suffit de prendre contact avec le Secrétariat.

Le Comité de rédaction est aussi disposé à publier, de cas en cas, le résumé d'articles qui n'ont pas pu être publiés.

Zusammenfassung

Der Bericht von Professor Schneider, Vorsitzender des Redaktionskomitees, hat zum Ziel, den Leser über die Zusammensetzung und Arbeitsmethode des Redaktionskomitees zu informieren.

Das Publikationsprogramm und die Liste der in Vorbereitung stehenden IVBH BERICHTE werden genannt.

Die Mitglieder der IVBH sind eingeladen, an den IVBH Veröffentlichungen mitzuwirken; es genügt, diesbezüglich mit dem Sekretariat Kontakt aufzunehmen.

Das Redaktionskomitee ist auch bereit, von Fall zu Fall die Zusammenfassung von Artikeln zu publizieren, welche von der IVBH nicht veröffentlicht werden konnten.