

Preface

This is the second Proceedings of the (HFES) Europe Chapter's Annual Scientific Meetings, based on the papers presented in Antwerp on the 4th and 5th of November 1992. In 1991 the Executive Council of the Europe Chapter decided to stimulate release of a proceedings from each Scientific Meeting, irrespective of number of papers and quality of manuscripts, in order to enhance interest and attendance.

The theme of the meeting was *Ergonomics and Safety in the Workplace*, a typical Applied Ergonomics subject, reflected in the papers included. The opening paper is a representation of the welcoming words of introduction by the host of the Meeting, Dr. Kamiel Vanwonterghem, whom we are in debt for his hospitality and cooperation to the organisation of the Meeting. Seven of the papers presented were accepted as manuscripts in this Proceedings, some of them adapted slightly by us to conform to the style of the booklet. The quality of the endproduct has ups and downs, to be judged by the reader, but we decided to turn down none of the manuscripts that were delivered. After all, the goals of people in the workplace are more practice oriented than style devoted.

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