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1. Strengthening of Building Structures Venezia, Italy ; September 29 and 30, 1983

UNESCO, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation, and **UIA**, the International Union of Architects, have decided to sponsor this important Symposium of IABSE.

Information and registration

The Invitation and Programme has been published in February 1983 and is available at the Secretariat. The Symposium takes place in September which is still the high touristic season in Venice. Therefore it is recommended to register before **May 31, 1983** to be sure to get accommodation on the island. By registering early, one will also benefit from a lower registration fee.

Technical programme

The Symposium will be dealt with in four sessions.

Session 1

Strengthening of Building Structures

Chairman : E. Giangreco, Italy

- General policies for preservation and renovation of historical urban areas
R. Lemaire (University of Louvain, Belgium)
- Restoration of monuments and buildings
G. De Angeli d'Ossat (University of Rome, Italy)
- Structural problems connected with restoration and strengthening
F. Wenzel (University of Karlsruhe, FRG)

Session 2

Inspection and Monitoring

Chairman : R. Warner (Australia)
Reporter : M. Kavyrchine (France)

Session 3

Mathematical and Physical Models

Chairman : H. J. Degenkolb (USA)
Reporter : T. P. Tassios (Greece)

Session 4

Operating Methods

Chairman : R. Favre (Switzerland)
Reporter : G. Cestelli Guidi (Italy)

The Introductory Notes have been published in the Introductory Report, available at IABSE Secretariat. A selection of papers published in the Final Report will be presented at the Symposium sessions.

Poster Sessions are also scheduled at the Symposium.

In addition to the technical programme, a social programme will be offered to the participants. An attractive accompanying persons' programme will be set up and post symposium tours will be available. Further information at the IABSE Secretariat.