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**Introduction**

In June 1990 the Football World Championship will take place in Italy. The International Organizing Committee has stated that the eleven Stadiums where the games will be played must comply with some unified rules which, for instance, require individual seats for each spectator, a roofing able to cover the tiers but having the central playing area in the open air and ample room and facilities for the press.

The Italian Government has decided to support economically the improvement or construction of eleven Stadiums of different size, namely the ones in Bari, Bologna, Firenze, Genova, Milano, Napoli, Palermo, Roma, Torino, Verona and Udine.

Three of them (Bari, Genova and Torino) are new, the others have been enlarged and covered.

For the latter the main difficulty has been the need to allow, during the construction activities, three national championships to take place in the seasons 1987 – 88, 1988 – 89, 1989 – 90.

It appeared interesting to describe the different structural solutions and thus I have been commissioned by IABSE to collect relevant documentation with a view to publication in one of the IABSE STRUCTURE booklets.

It has been possible for me to collect papers from most of the designers and these are presented in the following pages.

I hope that they will result in a good demonstration of how many replies one can get from a structural engineer to the same question.

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