

**Zeitschrift:** IABSE reports = Rapports AIPC = IVBH Berichte  
**Band:** 74 (1996)

### **Vorwort**

**Autor:** Gulvanessian, Haig / Vrouwenfelder, Ton

### **Nutzungsbedingungen**

Die ETH-Bibliothek ist die Anbieterin der digitalisierten Zeitschriften auf E-Periodica. Sie besitzt keine Urheberrechte an den Zeitschriften und ist nicht verantwortlich für deren Inhalte. Die Rechte liegen in der Regel bei den Herausgebern beziehungsweise den externen Rechteinhabern. Das Veröffentlichen von Bildern in Print- und Online-Publikationen sowie auf Social Media-Kanälen oder Webseiten ist nur mit vorheriger Genehmigung der Rechteinhaber erlaubt. [Mehr erfahren](#)

### **Conditions d'utilisation**

L'ETH Library est le fournisseur des revues numérisées. Elle ne détient aucun droit d'auteur sur les revues et n'est pas responsable de leur contenu. En règle générale, les droits sont détenus par les éditeurs ou les détenteurs de droits externes. La reproduction d'images dans des publications imprimées ou en ligne ainsi que sur des canaux de médias sociaux ou des sites web n'est autorisée qu'avec l'accord préalable des détenteurs des droits. [En savoir plus](#)

### **Terms of use**

The ETH Library is the provider of the digitised journals. It does not own any copyrights to the journals and is not responsible for their content. The rights usually lie with the publishers or the external rights holders. Publishing images in print and online publications, as well as on social media channels or websites, is only permitted with the prior consent of the rights holders. [Find out more](#)

**Download PDF:** 04.05.2026

**ETH-Bibliothek Zürich, E-Periodica, <https://www.e-periodica.ch>**



## **Preface**

Eurocode 1 is in the process of publication in several Parts as ENV (European prestandards). It gives the basis and the actions to be taken into account in the design of structures made from all materials. It is therefore a central document of great importance for the safety and economy of buildings and other civil engineering structures in Europe.

At the International IABSE Conference in Davos, 1992, the draft of Eurocode 1: Part 1 was presented, together with the drafts of other Eurocodes. Much progress has been made since then and the most Parts of Eurocode 1 were agreed in 1994. The majority of the documents are now available.

The present Colloquium gives an overview of Eurocode 1 and its present stage of development. Its implication on the design of steel, concrete, timber and masonry structures is described. Particular items in relation with earthquakes, geotechnical design, bridge design and fire engineering are discussed. The Colloquium also addresses the evolution of other regional codes, such as American and Asian codes, and the development of ISO standards and their comparison with the Eurocodes.

The papers and discussions have the general objective to facilitate the use of the ENV version of Eurocode 1 and to gather input for its future development and improvement.

February 1996

Haig Gulvanessian  
Chairman of the Scientific Committee

Ton Vrouwenvelder  
Chairman of the Organising Committee