

over a watershed area and other parameters necessary for modeling in fundamental and applied sciences. The problem is related for instance to actual wet acid deposit evaluations, to the climate change and global circulation modeling, etc.

The session ended with the conclusion that many new information were collected, which promises the successful continuation of the Committee's activities. The next session was scheduled for March, 1988 in Helsinki (Finland).

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Zagreb, May 10, 1989

Inga Lisac

**Coordinating Committee for
Earthquake Risk Reduction in the Balkan Region**

**Report from Task Group 3 meeting
Zagreb, February 7-9, 1989**

The Task Group 3 (TG3) was established within the framework of scientific activities of the Permanent Coordinating Committee (PCC) for the Earthquake Risk Reduction in the Balkan Region (RER/85/002). The main task of the Group is the correlation of macroseismic intensity with acceleration and other strong ground motion parameters.

According to the first version of the project, approved at the meeting of PCC held in Paris in 1985, Yugoslavia took the responsibility of TG3. The convener of this task group was Dr. Dragutin Skoko from the Geophysical Institute of Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics in Zagreb.

The first meeting of TG3 was held in Zagreb on February 7-9, 1989. At the meeting six countries were represented: Albania, Bulgaria, Greece, Rumania, Turkey and Yugoslavia.

Sessions agenda covered, among other items, the national reports of participating countries on activities within TG3, and the definition and plan of future activities.

The reports presented research on some aspects of the correlation between macroseismic intensity and strong ground motion parameters. It was agreed to intensify and extend the efforts for obtaining adequate empirical relations for use in engineering practice in order to fill in the gap between seismology and earthquake engineering.

After discussion the plan and program for the short-term and long-term activities were proposed. Short-term activities include collection and exchange of strong Balkan earthquakes data via PCC, the necessary minimum being the magnitude, epicentral distance and focal depth data. Quantitative relationships between intensity and other parameters are to be defined for seismically active zones, as well as for the whole Balkan territory.

All the participants agreed to establish cooperation on the basis of the long-term activities of the Task Group 3 within the frame of the PCC. Those activities should include:

- creating of the strong ground motion consistent data base,
- improvement of the methodologies and procedures for the data reductions,
- implementations and testing of the above studies by establishing some pilot projects in the participating countries,
- consideration of possibility to create such a macroseismic scale which can be correlated to the strong ground motion parameters; such a scale should take into account the present practice and constructions (as well as the possibility of its modification in future).

It was proposed that the second meeting of TG3 will be held in Zagreb in November 1990.

Zagreb, May 9, 1989.

Dragutin Skoko

The annual meeting of the Editorial Board of *GEOFIZIKA*, Zagreb, 2 June, 1989

Minutes:

On 2 June, 1989 the Editorial Board of *Geofizika* held its annual meeting at the Geophysical Institute in Zagreb, with the following agenda:

1. The annual and financial report
2. Acceptance of manuscripts for Vol. 6
3. Election of the new members of the Editorial Board
4. Diverse

ad 1) Dr. Inga Lisac, the editor-in-chief, presented the annual (Appendix) and financial reports, which were unanimously accepted.

ad 2) The present members of the Editorial Board accepted the classification of eight papers to appear in Vol. 6 as proposed by the editors and referees.

ad 3) Dr. I. Lisac informed the Board of her decision to resign from the editor-in-chief position due to health problems. Dr. Mirko Orlić, former secretary of *Geofizika*, was elected editor-in-chief for the following mandate. The new secretary is to be elected subsequently. The board members expressed their heartfelt gratitude for everything that Dr. I. Lisac did during past five years for establishing and promoting the journal.

According to the former decision three esteemed geophysicists from abroad were invited to join the Editorial Board. Prof. S.J. Duda from Hamburg, Prof. F. Stravisi from Trieste and Prof K. Bernhardt from Berlin kindly sent their consent and were elected the members of the Editorial Board.

ad 4) Dr. I Lisac informed the Board that the Institute for Informational Sciences in Zagreb classified *Geofizika* into the highest category among 16 other Croatian journals.

The members of the Board accepted the mailing list for 1989 as proposed by the editors.

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