

FOREWORD

The Fourth International Working Conference on Stored-Product Protection, held in Tel Aviv, Israel in September 1986 was the first conference meeting to be held under its new title. The decision of the Permanent Committee to include all disciplines related to stored-product protection led perforce to an expansion in the range of subjects discussed at the Conference, and many new faces were welcomed and new friends made. In all 165 participants from 28 countries made this interdisciplinary meeting a truly international one and the most welcome participation by representatives of countries from six continents contributed greatly to the pragmatic approach adopted throughout the conference sessions.

Several regular participants of previous conferences expressed the wish for a change in structure of the the conference program so as to establish a forum for free and informal discussion of key subjects. To comply with this request the Organizing Committee decided to set up roundtable discussion groups each evening. The well attended and lively debates bore witness to the wisdom of this decision.

The Organizing Committee headed by Prof. Moshe Calderon, wish to thank all those that contributed to the success of the conference. We deeply appreciate the support afforded us by the Permanent Committee, the financial assistance provided by national and international organizations and commercial participants, and also owe a debt of gratitude to Peltours for the excellent handling of the conference logistics as well as organizing the post-conference tours and the program for accompanying persons. We should also like to express our appreciation to all the symposium conveners, discussion leaders, roundtable moderators and all the participants for their contributions to the conference. In particular we thank Prof. Pedersen and Prof. Harein for organizing the submitted paper sessions in spite of the fact that circumstances prevented them from attending.

During the conference, the Permanent Committee:

1. Accepted the resignation of Dr. Robert Davis as Honorary Member of the Permanent Committee.
2. Elected Dr. Maria Regina Sartori to the Permanent Committee.
3. Selected the logo of the Israel Conference as the official logo for the IWCSPP.
4. Approved a set of By-Laws by which the Permanent Committee will operate.
5. Scheduled the fifth IWCSPP in Bordeaux, France in 1990, and designated West Germany as alternative meeting site.

It was an honour for us to host the Fourth Conference and we wish the Organizers of the Fifth Conference every success in their venture and the same degree of cooperation we were afforded during the preparative stages.

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