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A WORD OF INTRODUCTION

Prof. dr. ir. Louis C.W. Pols

It is with great pleasure that I present to you this seventh Proceedings of the Institute of Phonetic Sciences of the University of Amsterdam.

As before these Proceedings inform you about our recent scientific activities. Several of the articles will be published, suitably adapted, in specialist journals in the near future. However, this is the quickest way of communicating with our colleagues in this country and abroad. We sincerely hope that you will take the trouble to send us your comments, criticisms or suggestions.

There have been major changes in this Institute since 1980. In that year we lost Prof. dr. ir. Hendrik Mol and Ir. Johannis G. Blom; Proceedings 6 was dedicated to them. Because of organizational and financial reasons their places were not filled immediately. In fact our staff was further reduced because of the departure of Drs. Heleen Deighton-van Witsen from September 1982. She left us for reasons of poor health. We thank her for the many years of good work she did at our Institute. Many papers, as well as all contributions for these Proceedings went through her hands for a final check on the translations. We thank her and wish her all the best in the future. From November 1st 1982 Drs. Jeannette M. van der Stelt changed her full-time job to a part-time one. This leaves us with vacancies which will only be filled on a temporary basis.

Since October 1st 1982 I have accepted the position of full professor in Phonetic Sciences within the Faculty of Arts at the University of Amsterdam. I hope to be able to proceed along the pioneering lines set out by my predecessor Hendrik Mol. I hope to build on the foundations he laid down and to add to these new ideas and enthusiasm.
With respect to the present Proceedings it is only fair to say that all contributions were already written before I took this position.

On one of the following pages you will find a list of personnel as of November 1st 1982. With these colleagues we plan to continue our teaching and research projects with all our energy, despite threatening reorganisations and economical recession.
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