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FOREWORD

This short foreword is intended to explain the change in the titles of the proceedings. The title "Advances in External Control of Human Extremities" should stress the continuity of this publication.

After the third meeting on External Control of Human Extremities it has become evident that a new expanding research field of interdisciplinary nature has emerged. Although the work of the Symposium is being focused on a limited topic in medical engineering the importance of this research for rehabilitation is great. There is no doubt that with better understanding of the man-machine control problem in this particular field essential improvements in the design of prosthetic and orthotic devices will occur.

Thus, the new title of the book reflects the need for the continuation of this activity in the future. We hope to meet many of the participants of the previous symposia together with other newcomers to the field during the next meetings in Yugoslavia.

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