

## **Preface**

The editorial staff has been working with the papers of the Euralex '96 Proceedings for what seems to be quite a long time. In fact, the time scheduled for the task is far too short to produce a thoroughly uniform book. For instance, figures and tables have arrived to us in various shapes and we have tried to reproduce them in the best possible way by re-drawing, scanning, photo-copying and re-modelling on the computer. We hope the authors of the Proceedings will find the result acceptable. Time has not allowed proof-reading by the authors, which is unfortunate. However, we have corrected evident (formal) mistakes and we hope the authors will find the corrections equally evident.

We hope that the interesting ideas put forth in the Euralex '96 Proceedings will compensate for the inevitable editorial shortcomings.

The Editors