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Preface

This book presents some of the latest research related to the protection of the built environment in earthquake prone regions of the world, this involves not only finding ways of determining the optimal design and construction of new facilities, but also of upgrading or rehabilitating existing structures.

Contained in this volume are most of the papers presented at the 4th International Conference on Earthquake Resistant Engineering Structures held in Ancona with the support of the University of La Marche, Italy and the Wessex Institute of Technology, UK. The Conference attracted a number of delegates from industry as well as academic and research institutes from around the world.

The papers were classified in accordance with the sections in the book:

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