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## Foreword

The "Twente Workshop On Graphs and Combinatorial Optimization" as a biennial event took place for the sixth time on 26–28 June, 1999, at the Department of Applied Mathematics, University of Twente, in Enschede, The Netherlands. As on previous occasions, colleagues in the field were invited to submit the results of their recent research to a special volume of Discrete Applied Mathematics, devoted to the workshop. The submissions were subjected to the usual refereeing process. As guest editors, we are proud to present this selection of contributions as a documentation of the active developments in graph theory and combinatorial optimization.

There are some changes in the workshop series to be reported. We hope that the series will continue the success of the past tradition as a joint project between the University of Twente in The Netherlands and the University of Cologne in Germany. To reflect the new setup, the series will be organized under the name "Cologne/Twente workshop on graphs and Combinatorial Optimization".

We also want to take this opportunity to thank Kees Hoede for all the effort he had put into the organization of the past workshops. We are counting on his moral support and experience for the future workshops.

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