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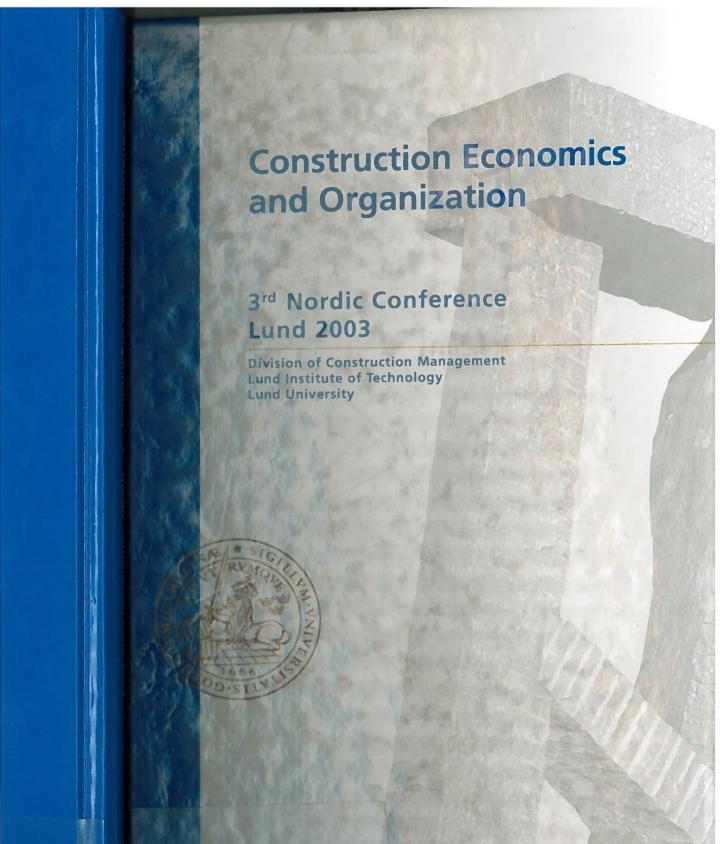
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Preface

The present conference is the third Nordic conference that follows upon two previously held conferences in 1999 and 2001, both in Gothenburg.

The goal is to create a Nordic forum for both practitioners and researchers at which subjects of interest can be discussed regarding the latest findings and experiences in the area of construction economics and organization. This year, the Department of Construction Management at Lund Institute of Technology has invited Nordic colleagues to a conference that will focus on the advances and ongoing research throughout the construction process and real estate management. The themes of the conference are the following topics:

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The speakers who were requested to deliver keynote lectures responded willingly and positively and for this we owe them our very sincere thanks. Their lectures are included in this volume.

The response to participate has been encouraging and preliminary abstracts of 36 contributions have been received. This volume includes the 32 papers that were selected for publication and we wish to express our thanks to all the authors.

We are grateful, in particular, to Christina Glans for her efficient aid in preparing the Conference. We also wish to thank the members of the Scientific Committee for the effort spent on reviewing contributions to the conference.

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