## **PREFACE**

The Editors of *PPP* are pleased to continue their policy of publishing papers from specialized meetings which are of interest to the wider permafrost and periglacial communities. In addition to regular submissions, this issue of *PPP* contains four papers which arise from a meeting in the Netherlands in May 1991. All have been subject to normal peer review. We thank Dr. J. Vandenberghe (Free University, Amsterdam) for organizing that meeting and arranging for the submission of these papers.

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