FOREWORD

The papers accepted for oral presentation at the ESSDERC 78 were selected by the Program Committees of the 8th ESSDERC and of the 3rd SSSDT on the basis of submitted abstracts. The booklet of the abstracts is available from the Secretary of the Conference.

Among these papers, a number were submitted by their authors for publication in the proceedings and, after a careful reviewing before and during the Conference, have been published, if accepted, in the present book. Therefore, they represent only part of the ideas which were debated during the Conference.

The invited papers will be published in a special issue of « Les Editions de Physique ».

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