

CURRICULUM VITAE

Jan Hensen was born on 9 April 1953 in Tilburg, The Netherlands. In 1971 he successfully completed the HBS-B examinations at the St.-Pauluslyceum in Tilburg. Due to circumstances, he then fulfilled his compulsory military duties and worked both as a truck driver and as a horse rider / instructor.

In 1975 he started his building engineering study at the Faculty of Architecture and Building Science of Eindhoven University of Technology. He graduated in 1981 under supervision of prof.ir.J. Vorenkamp who is with the FAGO unit (Physical Aspects of the Built Environment). The masters projects were an optimisation study regarding energy consumption in offices, and an experimental study on convective heat transfer in a convective loop system.

From 1981 until 1986 he was a researcher in the Group FAGO-TNO-TUE (collaboration between the Netherlands Organisation of Applied Scientific Research (TNO) and Eindhoven University of Technology) and worked on several projects. One of the larger projects was the "Energieproeftuin Hoofddorp" which involved real scale experiments with 56 low-energy houses.

In 1986 he was offered the opportunity to start the present work at the FAGO unit of Eindhoven University of Technology. This work resulted in 1991 in the dissertation you are now reading.