PREFACE

Türkiye joined the Customs Union Community in 2000. Several new commercial rules have started to be executed. Manufacturing conditions have also changed. A shift was made from the Classical approach to the New approach in product definition. Directives and CE marking have become compulsory. The lift industry has faced new practices just as many other industries did. Implementation conditions, calculation principles, delivery, and acceptance of the lift have began to be applied differently than the known conditions. All the truths we once knew have become wrong suddenly. In this period, I published books "Asansörde Pratik Bilgiler" (Practical Information on Lifts) and "Asansör Uygulamaları" (Lift Practices) in 2001 and 2005 respectively to facilitate the transition. These books were prepared for our friends in the industry to examine the calculation principles, CE marking and modules, lift control forms according to the new application, and facilitate the application. Swift changes in the standards, the addition of several new standards, and changes in Directives followed one after the other in the next period. Every new rule brought along discussions and different implementation understanding. Articles in the book consist of subjects written under such conditions of discussion.

The discussions and implementation methods that emerged at different times led to disagreements between the parties. I tried to express my opinions on these discussions through various articles at different times. I agreed to the discussions and tried to add my suggestions in the articles as well. The reason of the discussion and answering style in the articles is that the they were written as a result of a discussion. Objections or questions to the relevant article are published as "Answers to Questions" at the end of the article. I assume that these explanations will help our colleagues who follow the same path.

First of all, I would like to express that I am not an academic but a field engineer. My method of writing is to examine several people who are known to be authorities on the subject under discussion, to collect their ideas on the subject and to try to form a basis for discussions. All of my articles constitute an open call for academics. Every subject in this book is open to development and examination and I would be happy for any contribution to the subjects discussed.

I have had the opportunity to provide consultancy to very esteemed companies. I had the opportunity to work with valuable colleagues in these companies, and every time I intended to offer something to them, I also benefited from their valuable knowledge and experience. We carried out studies, estimations, and implementations together in field practices and manufacturing areas. In this regard, I would like to mention about their precious efforts and express my thanks to them. The articles prepared apart from the ones written as a group should also be considered collective works. Suggestions are included in certain field practices except for the estimations. I would also like to thank my family, who maturely welcomed me to steal from their time while doing all this work and to live together with the lift.

This book has been crafted as a tool to create an opinion on the subjects addressed and provide help on the discussions. This publication does not aim to replace the willpower of lift designing craft's examination, evaluation, and willpower to take decisions. The book's author, Serdar Tavaslıoğlu, declares that he refuses any responsibility due to measures taken or not based on this guideline.

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