



Professor Dr. Dimiter G. Skordev

On June 1, 1996, Professor Dimiter Skordev turned sixty. To mark this event, the Fourth Logical Biennial was dedicated to this anniversary. The Biennial took place in the "St. Kliment Ohridski" University House in Gjulechitza from September 12 to September 15, 1996. Three invited lectures and seventeen contributed talks were presented during the meeting. The opening lecture of Dr. L. Ivanov was a review of the contributions of Prof. Skordev in the field of Algebraic Recursion Theory. This review, together with the scientific programme of the Colloquium and the full texts of most of the contributed talks, delivered there, are included in the present volume of the *Annuaire*.

Professor Skordev joined the Faculty of Mathematics at the "St. Kliment Ohridski" University of Sofia almost 40 years ago — in 1959, immediately after his graduation. He received his Ph. D. degree in 1967 with a thesis, devoted to some problems of the functional analysis. In 1986 he became a Doctor of Science in Mathematical Logic. Since 1972 he has been chairing the Department of Mathematical Logic at the Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics. The main research interests of Professor Skordev are in the areas of Logic and Computer Sciences. He is a founder of the Bulgarian School of Computability Theory. Eight graduate students have written their Ph. D. works under his supervision. During the years 1960–1996 Professor Skordev published more than seventy research papers and two monographs. For his achievements in Algebraic Recursion Theory he was awarded the Obreshkov Prize in 1981.

The Editorial Board of the *Annuaire* of the Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics, together with the numerous friends, colleagues, students (both former and present) of Professor Skordev use with great pleasure this occasion to wish him many years of fruitful work for the general benefit of the Bulgarian and the world mathematics.

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