FOREWORD

This issue of the Bulletin of the Transilvania University of Braşov, Series III - Mathematics and Computer Science is dedicated to Professor Marin Marin on the occasion of his 70th birthday.

Professor Marin has had a distinguished career in mathematics and has made significant contributions to both his academic community and the broader field. He is a respected member of the Academy of Romanian Scientists and served as the Dean of the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science at Transilvania University of Braşov from 2012 to 2016. His editorial work with several ISI-indexed journals has further underscored his commitment to advancing mathematical scholarship.

Born in Ghergheasa, Buzău County, in 1954, Professor Marin completed his pre-university education at "Ștefan cel Mare" Theoretical High School in Râmnicu Sărat. He went on to study at the Faculty of Mathematics at "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, where he earned his degree between 1974 and 1978. His academic journey continued with a master's degree in Functional Equations from the same institution in 1979.

In 1990, Professor Marin joined the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science at Transilvania University of Braşov as an Assistant Professor. His dedication and expertise led to his promotion to full professor in 1999. During this period, he also pursued doctoral studies, beginning at "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iaşi and obtaining his Ph.D. from the University of Bucharest in 1994. In 2013, he successfully defended his habilitation thesis at the University of Bucharest and has since served as a Ph.D. supervisor in Applied Mathematics, guiding three candidates to the successful completion of their doctorates.

Professor Marin's research focuses on Applied Mathematics, particularly in areas such as Ordinary Differential Equations, Partial Differential Equations, Continuum Mechanics, Thermoelasticity, and Microstructure. Throughout his career, he has authored over 275 ISI-indexed scientific articles and published several books with well-regarded publishers, including "Elliott & Fitzpatrick Inc.," Springer, and "Editura Tehnică," Bucharest.

His scholarly work has been widely recognized, as reflected in over 9,000 Google Scholar citations, 6,988 Scopus citations, and 6,800 Web of Science citations. His h-index, an indicator of the impact of his research, stands at 66 on Google Scholar, 61 on Scopus, and 61 on Web of Science.

Professor Marin has been invited to speak at prominent international conferences hosted by institutions such as Université Catholique de Louvain, Imperial College London, Rochester Institute New York, Université Paris Cité, and Charles University in Prague. His contributions to mathematics have been acknowledged with awards like the Transilvania University Award in Mathematics (2010) and the Spiru Haret Award in Mathematics from the Romanian Academy (2012).

In 2019, Professor Marin was conferred the title of Professor Honoris Causa by Ovidius University of Constanta, a recognition of his substantial contributions to the field. He was also included in the World's Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University and ranked among the leading Romanian mathematicians by research.com. In the 2013 rankings, he was placed third in theoretical mathematics and second in applied mathematics among Romanian scholars.

Professor Marin's profound impact on mathematics and his inspirational leadership continue to resonate with his peers and younger colleagues alike. As we honor his remarkable achievements and contributions, we extend our heartfelt wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors. We eagerly anticipate his future contributions to the field of mathematics, confident that they will further enrich and inspire the global mathematical community.

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