

Letter from the president



Dear Friends, Dear Colleagues and Dear ISDE Members,

First of all, I would still like to give you my best wishes for an exciting and successful year 2017.

Let me recapitulate our activities in 2016: The PODE Meeting (Riga, Latvia, May 17-20, organised by Inese Bula and Maruta Avotiņa, <http://www.lu.lv/pode2016/>) featured four plenary talks and 31 contributed talks. The traditionally larger ICDEA Meeting was held Osaka (Japan, July 24-29, organised by Yoshihiro Hamaya, Hideaki Matsunaga, Masakazu Onitsuka and Naoto Yamaoka, <http://www.atalacia.com/icdea2016/osaka/index.html>). We

are grateful to the organisers of both conferences for their great job and their essential contribution to our society.

A central point in the program of each ICDEA, and one of my favourite obligations as president, is to announce the Best Paper prize. In 2015 it went to J. Epperlein, S. Siegmund and P. Stehlík: Evolutionary games on graphs and discrete dynamical systems, JDEA 21(2), 2015, 72-95. Congratulations!

This brings me to various announcements for the still new 2017:

- PODE 2017 (May 29-31) will be in Urbino Italy. For further information see <http://www.mdef.it/meetings-workshops/pode-2017/>
- The 23rd ICDEA (July 24-28) is in Timișoara, Romania. All necessary information is contained on the website <https://icdea2017.uvt.ro>

This year also gives us the opportunity to award the next Bernd-Aulbach-Prize. We are looking for suggestions.

Finally, we have to elect a new president. The last two years were an exiting time and I am grateful for your trust. However, I will not be available for the following two years. On the one hand, I still feel a bit too young for representative duties. On the other hand, I would like to focus more on my favourite obsession: Mathematics. I hope for your understanding and assure that I gladly accept other responsibilities in our society.

Let me close with two words of caution: First, there exist fake websites for the “International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications”. Please check and compare them with the website of the society. Second, members of the society were contacted under my fake identity for various favours. Please double-check this and feel free to contact me.

Looking forward to meeting you somewhere soon,
with best regards from Austria,

Christian Pötzsche