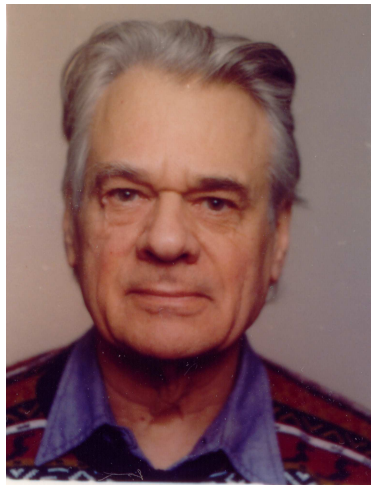


## FOREWORD

On May 19, 2003 the Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics of the University of Bucharest hosted the Symposium dedicated to the 70-th anniversary of Professor Kostake Teleman.



The Chair of Geometry was honored to organize this event and to publish selected lectures delivered there.

In addition, this volume contains some papers of geometers which were unable to attend the Symposium and wanted to bring their scientific homage to Professor Kostake Teleman.

One of the greatest contemporary Romanian differential geometers, Professor Kostake Teleman dedicated almost half a century to an intense scientific and teaching activity in our Faculty. Author of more than 70 research papers, monographs and textbooks, successful Ph.D. thesis advisor, Professor Kostake Teleman influenced in a strong manner the development of Geometry and Topology.

His present and former students and colleagues express their gratitude and wish Professor Kostake Teleman: *good health, long life and happiness!*

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