

EDITORIAL

Since Martin Janžura suddenly passed away on the 8th August 2016, the director of the Institute of Information Theory and Automation has appointed Radim Jiroušek new Editor-in-Chief of the journal *Kybernetika*.

Radim Jiroušek graduated in Mathematics from Charles University (Prague) in 1969. He received his PhD and DrSc. degrees from the Czech (formerly Czechoslovak) Academy of Sciences in 1979 and 1993, respectively. His PhD advisor, Albert Perez, directed him to probabilistic decision support models, and their joint paper from the 1st IPMU conference in 1986 belongs among the pioneering papers on Graphical Markov Modeling. Though his most-cited papers address computations with decomposable models, he later abandoned graphical approaches and his current research activities have been devoted to the development of compositional model theory, both in probability and belief function frameworks. His scientific bibliography comprises more than 150 entries. He is also famous for organizing Workshops on Uncertainty Processing (WUPES) since 1988.



R. Jiroušek still works part time with the Institute of Information Theory and Automation of the Czech Academy of Sciences, and with the University of Economics in Prague. He became full Professor at this University in 1993; and in 1996, supported by a Grant from the Ministry of Education of the Czech Republic, he founded the Laboratory for Intelligent Systems at the Faculty of Informatics and Statistics. Later, from February 2008 to January 2016, he served as Dean of the Faculty of Management in Jindřichův Hradec. He also served as a PhD advisor not only at the University of Economics, but also at the Czech Technical University and Charles University. In total, twelve students have successfully defended their PhD theses under his supervision.

I do believe that the appointment of Radim Jiroušek is a good choice. I wish him to be at least as successful as the previous Editor-in-Chief.

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Director of the Institute