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PREFACE

The present volume is dedicated to the Proceedings of the Conference Complex Geometry, which took place on Jan. 11-17, 2009, at the Hanoi National University of Education thanks to the finance support of Hanoi National University of Education and of the SFB/TR45 of the DFG (German Research Council).

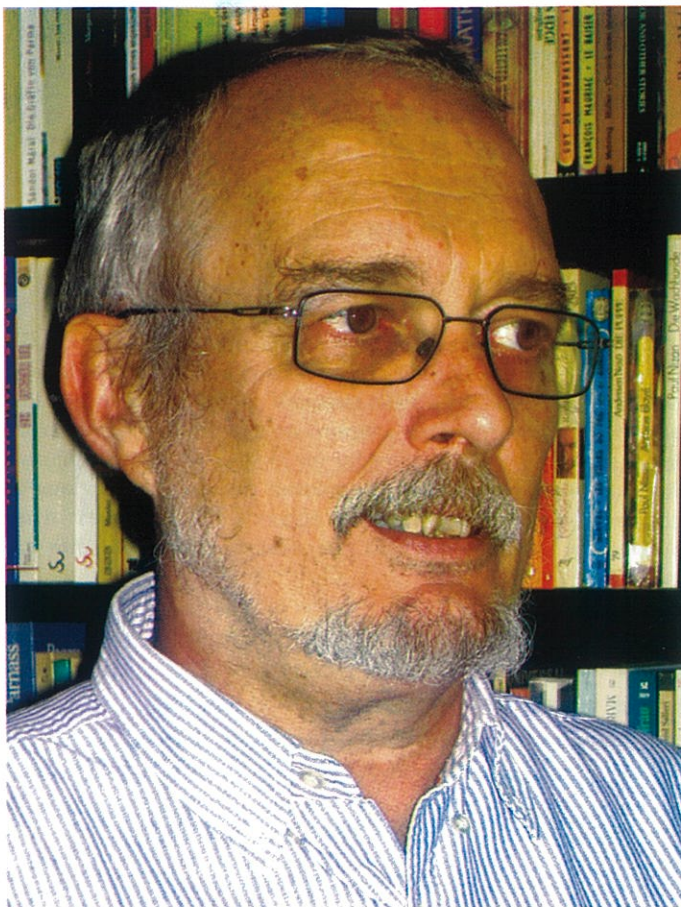
In addition to the editors of the Proceedings, Jean-Pierre Demailly kindly co-organized the scientific program.

Due to the participation of mathematicians with different background, the conference was mathematically successful. Aside of the list of contributors and editors to this volume, the mathematics discussed and exchanged benefited in particular from the participation of senior mathematicians such as Marc Levine (Essen), Manfred Lehn (Mainz), Lê Mậu Hải (Hanoi), Jörg Winkelmann (Bayreuth), Nguyễn Quốc Thắng (Hanoi) and Ngô Bảo Châu (IAS, Princeton).

We thank the Vietnamese mathematicians, most particularly all the younger ones, whose kind help and commitment made everybody's stay very enjoyable.

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Professor Eckart Viehweg, 1948-2010

When the preparation of this special issue was at its final stage we learned the very sad news about the sudden passing of Professor Eckart Viehweg, one of the organizers of the Conference on Complex Geometry and a guest editor of this issue.

Eckart Viehweg was a great friend of Vietnamese mathematicians. He and his wife, Professor H el ene Esnault, have visited Vietnam many times. For their important scientific works, and for their valuable contributions to the development of mathematics in Vietnam, Eckart Viehweg and H el ene Esnault have been awarded the title of Doctor Honoris Causa from the Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology.

Eckart Viehweg's passing is a great loss for the international mathematical community in general, and for the development of mathematics in Vietnam in particular. The Vietnamese mathematicians, and all the participants to the Conference on Complex Geometry will never forget Eckart.

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