Letter from the Bulletin Editor

Dear Reader,

   Welcome to the October 2012 issue of the Bulletin of the EATCS.

Our columns deliver the usual richness and variety of interesting contents. We start with a survey on the complexity of model checking for various logics: ("Computational Complexity Column"), we explore the computational issues and present algorithmic techniques for the problem searching for a black hole in a network ("Distributed Computing Column"), and discuss the general issue of what can be considered as valid evidence for open questions in computational complexity ("Logic in Computer Science Column").

I want also to draw your attention to the letter form Maurice Nivat in the occasion of the 40th EATCS anniversary and the report on the EATCS General Assembly held during ICALP 2012. As usual, the October issue the Bulletin includes the calls for nomination for the EATCS, Gödel and Presburguer awards. The Distributed Computing Column includes a laudatio for the winners of the ACM-EATCS Edsger W. Dijkstra Prize in Distributed Computing sponsored by the PODC and DISC conferences.

This issue ncludes a piece in memoriam of Manfred Kudlek transcribing the obituary read at the closing ceremony for CiE 2012 by Peter van Emde Boas, we will miss him dreadfully.

I trust that you will find a lot of interesting material to read in this issue.

Maria Serna, Barcelona
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