GUEST EDITORIAL PREFACE

Special Issue in Memory of the Late Professor **Lorenzo Ferrer Figueras**

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The International Conference on Complex Systems (ICCS'12), 5-6 November 2012, cochaired by Mohamed Essaaidi and Mohamed Nemiche, has been dedicated to the memory of the late Professor Lorenzo Ferrer Figueras, ex-president of the Spanish Society of General Systems.

The event, held in the Palais des Roses Hotel, Agadir-Morocco, and technically sponsored by IEEE, International Academy for Systems and Cybernetic Science and Spanish Society of General Systems, attracted over 148 scholar from 22 nations around the globe, including, Algeria, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Finland, France, Germany, India, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russian Federation, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Tunisia, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.

More than 20 scientific areas were represented at the conference. These scientific areas including, Fuzzy Set Theory and Fuzzy Systems, Fractals, Chaos Theory and Chaotic Systems, Artificial Neural Networks, Genetic and Evolutionary Algorithms, Adaptive Agents and Multi-agent Learning, Multi-agent Social Simulation and Cognitive Modeling with Agents, Agent-Based Modeling and Simulation, Agent and Multi-agent Architectures, Game Theory, Strategic Decision-Making in Competitive Environments, Modeling and Control Systems, Diagnosis and Fault-tolerant Control Systems, Hardware-Software Co-Design, Embedded Systems, Complex Biomedical Engineering, Complex Dynamic Systems and Globalization, General System Theory and Methodology, Complex Social and Ecological Systems, Economical, Political and Juridical Systems, Socio-Cultural and Behavioral Modeling, Mathematical Methods in Cybernetics and Systems Theory, Sociocybernetics and Mathematical Sociology.

This event was marked by the high quality of its keynote and invited speakers as Matjaz Mulej, Edgar Morin, Pierre Bricage, Tarek El-

Ghazawi, Antonio Caselles Moncho, Luis Martínez López, Francisco Parra Luna, Mohamed Bakhouya and Pierre Manneback.

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