

## Preface

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This special issue contains works selected among all those presented at this conference, devoted like its predecessors to the discussion of the latest developments in the areas of difference equations, discrete dynamical systems and their applications.

All the papers in this special issue have gone through a standard refereeing process.

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