

# Preface

Ernst-Rüdiger Olderog turned 60 in 2015. Congratulations, Ernst-Rüdiger!

On the occasion of his 60th birthday, this Festschrift features contributed papers dedicated to Ernst-Rüdiger Olderog. Besides a brief laudatio, the Festschrift includes contributions from colleagues who have accompanied Ernst-Rüdiger Olderog through his scientific life in one way or another, be it in joint projects, research articles or even the writing of complete books. The contributions in this Festschrift formed the major part of the scientific program of the associated Festschrift Symposium, which took place September 8–9, 2015.

We would like to thank all the contributors to this Festschrift for their hard work and for their scientifically interesting as well as individual articles, which fit very well to Ernst-Rüdiger Olderog's own research agenda in the area of formal methods. These contributed articles make this Festschrift a very suitable surprise to celebrate Ernst-Rüdiger Olderog's contributions to science on the occasion of his birthday.

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