

Preface

This issue is dedicated to Corrado De Concini



We are deeply grateful to all the mathematicians who contributed by writing a paper in honor of Corrado. We also thank Elisabetta Strickland who wrote the presentation of Corrado's mathematical work which opens this volume.

It was a great pleasure for us to have the opportunity to serve as guest editors. Corrado has had an enormous influence on our mathematical activity and on our lives, both by guiding our mathematical taste and by being a model and an example. Thank you.

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