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From the Guest Editors

It is with great pleasure that we offer these two issues (2019, no. 1, and 2019, No. 2) of the journal Control & Cybernetics as a gift to our friend, Günter Leugering, and to all interested Readers, on the occasion of Günter's 65th birthday.

Günter Leugering is one of the most important authorities worldwide in the domain of control theory for partial differential equations. Besides many other topics, a particular emphasis of his research has always been with the optimal control of partial differential equations on networks. Günter Leugering is extremely successful in bridging from mathematics to applications, in particular mechanics and medicine, in the strong belief that good mathematics nucleates at the interface to applications. He has been collaborating with numerous scholars from Germany and USA, and also from India, China, Spain, Russia, Ukraine, France and Poland, as well as other countries. Günter Leugering is known to many as an outstanding person, for whom friendship is a very important matter. The present two consecutive issues of "Control & Cybernetics" contain the papers by His friends, dedicated to Him, on the occasion of His birthday. Together with all the - other - authors we wish Günter a lot of personal happiness and years and years of continued fruitful scientific work.

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