

Greetings from the Chairman

On behalf of the University of the Balearic Islands, the European Society for Fuzzy Logic and Technology and the Organizing Committee of the 1999 Eusflat-Estylf Joint Conference, it is my pleasure to welcome the participants of the Eusflat-Estylf'99 to this beautiful city of Palma.

Since 1991 the Congresos Españoles sobre Tecnologías y Lógica Fuzzy have been successfully held in different places: 1991 Granada, 1992 Madrid, 1993 Santiago de Compostela, 1994 Blanes (Girona), 1995 Murcia, 1996 Oviedo, 1997 Tarragona, 1998 Pamplona. I felt most honored when, during the Congreso Español sobre Tecnologías y Lógica Fuzzy held in Pamplona, the University of the Balearic Islands was designated to give an adequate frame to the first edition of the Eusflat Conference jointly with the ninth edition of the Congreso Español sobre Tecnologías y Lógica Fuzzy.

This year we have received 125 papers, 9 of them will be presented in two special sessions and the rest in regular sessions. Of these, an important part come from out of Spain. Nevertheless, we have been careful to maintain the high scientific standards achieved in the previous Estylf conferences.

Many people and institutions have made this conference possible. I want to thank all the persons who have assisted me, in particular the Organizing Committee. I extend my recognition to all members of the Scientific Committee, as well as other additional reviewers, that with their effort have contributed to enhance the quality of the accepted papers. I would also recognize the effort made by the sponsors of the Conference.

I am also thankful to all the distinguished invited participants, specially to Prof. Lotfi Zadeh for his kind interest in the Conference. Special thanks to my friends Francesc Esteva and Enric Trillas for their support, as well as to the Dept. of Mathematics and Computer Science of the U.I.B.

I finally hope that you will find the time to enjoy our island and the friendship of mallorquin people: Siau benvinguts!

Gaspar Mayor