



A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear ISDE members,

Warmest regards and best wishes for a wonderful New Year! I hope the holiday season brought you joy, and that 2025 fulfills all your aspirations.

Board of Directors Update

The ISDE Society is governed by a Board of Directors of nine members elected every two years during odd-numbered years. The current board - Martin Bohner, Elena Braverman, Jim Cushing, Saber Elaydi, Laura Gardini, René Lozi, Adina Sasu, Jianshe Yu, and Weinian Zhang - began their two-year term on August 1, 2023. I am honored to serve as President, with René Lozi as Vice President.

New elections will take place in the coming months, scheduled for April 2025. We invite you to nominate eligible candidates and submit your preferences to help shape the future leadership of our society.

Highlights from 2024

- **ECIT 2024 Conference**

In May 2024, we successfully held the European Conference on Iteration Theory (ECIT-2024) in Lisbon, Portugal. Organized by Henrique Oliveira, Luís Silva, and João Alves, the conference honored the memory of Prof. Alexander Sharkovsky (1936-2022), a mathematical genius. The event featured engaging scientific presentations on discrete dynamical systems and difference equations, enriched by personal anecdotes from Prof. Sharkovsky's family members.

- **ICDEA 2024 Conference**

Our Annual Conference, ICDEA 2024, took place in Paris under the skilled organization of Prof. Thomas Michelitsch and several board members. Despite some organizational challenges, the conference was a tremendous success thanks to our members and participants' dedication and support. We appreciate your patience and collaboration, which made the event both memorable and productive.

Upcoming Conferences in 2025

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the following upcoming ISDE conferences:

1. **PODE-2025 (Progress on Difference Equations)**

- **Dates:** May 28-30, 2025
- **Location:** Cartagena, Spain
- **Organizers:** Jose S. Cánovas and colleagues
- **Registration:** [PODE-2025 Registration](#)

2. **ICDEA 2025 (30th International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications)**

- **Dates:** July 15-19, 2025
- **Location:** Guangzhou, China
- **Organizers:** Bo Zheng and the School of Mathematics and Information Science, Guangzhou University
- **Conference Website:** [ICDEA 2025](#)

Guangzhou offers a beautiful setting for our 30th ICDEA. The conference will feature numerous plenary speakers and promises to be a fruitful gathering. We encourage you to participate and present your work. Additionally, you can propose Special Sessions - details will be available on the ICDEA website soon: [Special Sessions Information](#).

Financial support for participation may be available through the society. Application forms can be found on the conference website.

Become a Sponsoring Member

We invite all members to become sponsoring members. The Board has introduced three new categories of sponsorship, offering benefits such as reduced fees for ISDE conferences: [Become a Sponsoring Member](#)

Your strong support is crucial for the continued success of our society. Other donations are also greatly appreciated: [Donate to ISDE](#)

Annual Meeting at ICDEA 2025

The annual meeting of ISDE will take place during ICDEA 2025. We will announce the Best JDEA-24 paper and the winner of the biannual Bernd Aulbach Prize. They will be invited to deliver a plenary talk at the conference.

Stay Connected

For updated information about ISDE and its activities, visit our homepage: [ISDE Homepage](#) and refer to the latest Newsletter.

Ensure your membership details are current by accessing the ISDE Membership Directory with your login credentials provided via email. If you need to update your account information, such as your email address, please contact me at laura.gardini@uniurb.it.

If your photo is not displayed with your name on the ISDE website, kindly send it to Prof. Davide Radi at davide.radi@unicatt.it for inclusion.

Looking Ahead

While we are preparing for the Annual Conference 2025 in Guangzhou, we are also excited to announce future conferences:

- **ICDEA 2026:** Milan, Italy (31st International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications)
- **ECIT 2026:** Kristiansand, Norway (25th European Conference on Iteration Theory)
- **ICDEA 2027:** Osaka, Japan (32nd International Conference on Difference Equations and Applications)

Thank you for your continued support and active participation in ISDE. Together, we will achieve new heights in the study of difference equations and their applications.

Best Wishes,

Laura Gardini

President, ISDE

Urbino, January 10, 2025

