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# Preface

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This special issue is dedicated to the 13<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Mathematical Education (ICME-13). This congress is held every four years. It is a worldwide meeting and a great opportunity to get in touch with various colleagues from countries all over the world. In 2016 ICME-13 took place in Hamburg (Germany) from 24<sup>th</sup> of July to 31<sup>st</sup> of July.

Due to the short distance from Austria to the venue (note that the next congress will hold in Shanghai in 2020!) many researchers from the Austrian community participated in ICME-13. Some of them will publish in the proceedings which will appear by Springer. Other contributions by Austrian authors are the content of this issue.

We are proud to be able to present eleven papers. The main part of the conference was divided in 54 "Topic Study Groups" (TSG). They

"[...] will therefore promote the discussion of a variety of perspectives on the theme of the Group. The TSG will consist of high-standard discussions enabling the newcomer to get a broad overview on the state-of-the-art and allowing the experts to lead discussions at a high level." ( $13^{th}$  International Congress on Mathematical Education (ICME-13), 24 – 31 July 2016 in Hamburg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Announcement, 14)

Each TSG offered different kinds of contributions: Presentations (20 minutes), Oral Communications (10 minutes) and Posters. In this issue contributions of all these kinds are presented.

So the reader of this issue will find a compact overview on resent research topics of the Austrian subject didactics in mathematics. We are thankful to all contributors that we are able to publish this synopsis. We also thank Gernot Greschonig for technical support and the editorial board for permitting this special issue.

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