## PROFESSOR IOAN BÂLDEA AT HIS 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

A decade ago, Volume 54(3)/2009 of *Studia Universitatis Babeş-Bolyai Chemia*, was dedicated to *Professor Ioan Bâldea* at his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, along with wishes of "health in the many years to come as well as the spice of current valuable scientific activity".

And indeed, he shared his passion as well as joy in research and study within his Alma Mater. He continued coordinating PhD students in physical chemistry, chemical technology and pharmacology. He recently rejoined teaching with inspiring liveliness, by initiating a series of plenaries that discuss either novel, sensitive or complex aspects of organic reaction mechanisms and physical chemistry (thermodynamics, kinetics, experimental aspects, etc.) of electron exchange processes.



Our former teacher and colleague continues to inspire the scientific and academic community of Cluj-Napoca. Therefore, this issue of *Studia Universitatis Babeş-Bolyai Chemia* represents a loving express of gratitude of his disciples and younger colleagues from various universities as well as research institutes.

In the eve of at his 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the authors of the papers along with the Editorial Board, wish Professor loan Bâldea to continue in health, joy and liveliness the sharing of his valuable knowledge and passion for Chemistry and Science among the younger generations.

On behalf of all his disciples, Alexandra Ana Csavdári