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# Preface

## **In Celebration of Prof. Dr. Wilfried Grecksch's 60th Birthday**

It is a great honor and pleasure to dedicate this book to our friend, colleague and teacher Wilfried Grecksch on the occasion of his 60th birthday.

Prof. Wilfried Grecksch was born in Dresden in 1948. He studied Mathematics from 1967 until 1971 at the Technical University in Dresden. From 1971 to 1973 he worked in a mining company and from 1973 until 1993 at the Department of Mathematics of the Technical University Leuna-Merseburg. In 1976 he received his PhD degree under the supervision of Prof. Dr. P.H. Müller. In the year 1980 he finished his Habilitation and in 1987 he was promoted to Professor at the Technical University Leuna-Merseburg and in 1992 to a Professor for Stochastics at the Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg. Prof. Grecksch served as the Dean of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science from 1995 until 2000 and from 2000 until 2006 as the Rector of the Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg.

Prof. Wilfried Grecksch is an internationally recognized expert in the area of Stochastic Differential Equations and Stochastic Control Theory. He proposed several important approaches to the theoretical study and the numerical solution of stochastic differential equations which are well known and

widely used by many researchers all over the world. Especially, he published two monographs: "Stochastische Evolutionsgleichungen und deren Steuerung" (Teubner-Verlag 1987) and "Stochastic evolution equations - a Hilbert space approach" (Akademie Verlag Berlin 1995) (with C. Tudor).

Prof. Grecksch attended many conferences in different countries and gave interesting lectures about his results. Some of them even gave rise to the investigation of new fields of research in stochastics.

Wilfried Grecksch is a great scholar and contributed essentially to the development of Stochastics at the Institute for Mathematics of the Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg. He is very much liked by his students because he is an excellent academic teacher with deep and interesting ideas. Prof. Grecksch is always ready to help and give advice, and he discovers often interesting relations between different topics which lead to a deeper understanding of the problem under consideration.

We, his students and a lot of his colleagues are very thankful to him for his support, help and kindness.

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