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## Preface

The book that you are holding in your hands is a further entry in a series of volumes that aspires to make some of the ideas presented at the annual international symposium Logica permanently accessible to both the conference participants and the wider public. The symposium, which took place at Hejnice Monastery in the Czech Republic from June 15 to June 19, 2015, brought together logicians from many different countries. This volume contains a representative sample of the contributions made at the conference.

The Logica symposium is an event with a tradition that began in the late nineteen eighties. Since that time, it has evolved into a respected conference which possesses a firm place in the annual schedule of the international community of logicians. Though the symposium is open to both researchers with a mathematical bent as well as a philosophical one, its audience traditionally consists mostly of logicians with philosophical interests. The informal atmosphere provides a space for a stimulating exchange of ideas among logicians of all generations, including students. As the editors of this volume we are proud that we can contribute to the successful completion of the annual symposium cycle by presenting this collection to you.

Last year's Logica was—as were all previous Logica symposia—organized by the Department of Logic of the Institute of Philosophy of the Czech Academy of Sciences. Twenty six lectures were presented during the conference, including those given by a distinguished list of invited speakers: Patricia Blanchette, Walter Carnielli, Melvin Fitting, and Peter Milne. As happens every year, the conference was enriched by a social programme that provided room for friendly debates concerning professional topics as well as for starting and developing personal friendships. The proceedings, which are traditionally published within one year of the conference, unfortunately offer only a very limited record of the topics discussed and cannot hope to even partially convey its atmosphere. In spite of that, we hope that you will find this book worthy of your attention.

Both the Logica symposium and The Logica Yearbook are the result of a joint effort by many people to whom we are very thankful. We would like to express our greatest gratitude to Petra Ivaničová, who had been a key member of the organizing crew for many years. Unfortunately she left the crew shortly after the symposium. We wish her good luck and success in her new career. We are, of course, very grateful to the Institute of Philosophy for all their support, without which the event wouldn't have been possible. We express our thanks to the staff of Hejnice Monastery for their hospitality and friendly assistance. Special thanks from the organizers and also, we believe, from the guests, go to the Bernard Family Brewery of Humpolec, which has traditionally sponsored the social programme of the symposium by providing three barrels of its excellent beer. We owe thanks to the Czech Science Foundation, which provided significant support for the meeting and for the publishing of this volume with the funding of the grant project no. 13-21076S. We would also like to thank College Publications and its managing director, Jane Spurr, for their very pleasant cooperation during the preparation of this book. Last, but not least, we would like to thank all of the authors for their exemplary collaboration during the editorial process.

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