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Foreword

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The 22nd Winter School “Geometry and Physics” took place at the traditional place, the village Srní in the Šumava Mountains in the Czech Republic, in the period January 12–January 19, 2002. These Winter Schools are organized by the Union of Czech Mathematicians and Physicists, together with Faculty of Mathematics and Physics of Charles University in Prague and Faculty of Natural Sciences, Masaryk University in Brno, with the financial support by the International Schrödinger Institute for Mathematical Physics in Vienna.

During the School, 6 invited lecture series were presented: *Mellin transform between the horospherical and Fourier transform* by S. Gindikin, *Conformal geometry and analysis* by T. Kobayashi, *Lectures on supersymmetry* by U. Lindström, *Boundary of symmetric spaces and hanges* by Y. Neretin, *Realizations of symmetric spaces and constructions of boundary value maps* by T. Oshima and *Harmonic analysis on semisimple symmetric spaces* by van der Ban. In the rest of the program more than thirty further lectures, communications and posters were presented in two sections.

The Proceedings of the School published traditionally in *Supplemento ai Rendiconti del Circolo Matematico di Palermo*, contain two of the invited series and further contributions by the participants.

The list of all participants is included.

Jarolím Bureš, Editor.