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During September 3 – 7, 2012 an international conference on differential equations, difference equations and special functions (ICDDSF) was held at the University of Patras, Greece. It was dedicated to the memory of Professor [Panayiotis D. \("Panos"\) Siafarikas](#) whose untimely death occurred in 2010 at the age of 57. See: <http://www.math.upatras.gr/~panos/>
The conference was attended by about 75 people, coming mostly from European countries but with representation also from North America, Brazil, India and South Africa.

Plenary lectures were presented by Dimitar Dimitrov (Universidade Estadual Paulista, Brazil), John R. Graef (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, USA), Alex Himonas (University of Notre Dame, USA) and Javier Segura (Universidad de Cantabria, Spain). The invited speakers included Árpád Baricz, Zuzana Došlá, Ondřej Došlý, Kathy Driver, István Györi, Andrea Laforgia, Lance Littlejohn, Martin Muldoon, Mihály Pituk and Luis Velázquez. Chrysoula Kokologiannaki spoke on "Panayiotis Siafarikas' Life and Work" and Evangelos Ifantis presented "A Synopsis of Panayiotis Siafarikas' Scientific Work".

The proceedings of the conference will be published by the journal "Advances in Dynamical Systems and Applications".

There was a very full social program including an all-day tour to Mycenae and Nauplio. Other social events included dancing (definitely not a spectator event!). Arrangements for transportation were excellent. The local arrangements committee, led by Evangelos Ifantis, Chrysoula Kokologiannaki and Eugenia Petropoulou did an excellent job. Panos would have been pleased!