

PREFACE

This volume contains the papers contributed by the speakers of the VIII International Colloquium on Differential Geometry, which was held in Santiago de Compostela (Spain) during July 7–11, 2008.

The Colloquium was organized by all members of the Department of Geometry and Topology of the University of Santiago de Compostela, and M. Ángeles de Prada of the University of País Vasco (Spain). The chairman was Luis Á. Cordero Rego. There were about 135 participants from many countries.

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The papers of this volume were mostly from the lectures presented at the Colloquium, which was designed with two main parts: Foliation Theory and Riemannian Geometry. All contributed papers were refereed, and we believe that they are of high quality, and make a significant progress on these subjects.

Finally, we express our deep gratitude to all participants, and particularly to the contributors of the papers of this volume.

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