PROFESSOR **OLIVIU GHERMAN** ON HIS 75th ANNIVERSARY



Professor **OLIVIU GHERMAN** was born in April 26, 1930, in Mihai Viteazu village, Cluj County, Romania. He obtained his Bachelor of Science in Physics and Mathematics in 1952 at the University "Babes-Bolyai" in Cluj. He took his Ph.D. in Physics and Mathematics, supervised by Acad. Prof. Serban Titeica in 1957 at University of Bucharest. From 1950 until 1958 he worked at the University "Babes-Bolyai" in Cluj as preparatory (1950-1951), assistant (1951-1954) and lecturer (1954-1958). From 1958 until 1960 he worked as a specialist at the International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna. From 1960 until 1966 he worked again at the University "Babes-Bolyai" in Cluj, as lecturer (1960-1962), associate professor (1962-1966) and as the dean of the faculty (1965-1966).

Since 1966, the year when the University of Craiova was founded, **OLIVIU GHERMAN** worked as professor and he was also nominated as vicechancellor of the University of Craiova. From 1972 until 1974 he was nominated as dean of the faculty of chemistry, University of Craiova and after 1974 he was nominated as head of the department of physics at the same university.

His scientific activity has begun as a Senior Researcher at Romanian Academy (1953-1958). After that he was Scientist ICTP Trieste (Italy) and since 1973, Senior Scientist ICTP Trieste (Italy). In the period 1991-1993 he was the President of IFA Bucharest Scientific Council. He published 16 scientific articles in Romanian specialized magazines (*Revue Roumaine de Physique, Revue d'Optique* etc.), 21 scientific articles in foreign specialized magazines (*Physics Letters, Journal of Mathematical Physics* etc.), 8 manuals and treatises, 6 treatises published abroad. Among the latter we mention: *Statistical Physics* (1976, in Romanian in collaboration with Dr. Lucian Saliu) the first Romanian modern treatise in this domain. Professor **OLIVIU GHERMAN** has also an important contribution to the translation of scientific books. Among them: The *Feynman Lectures on Physics* (1970), K. N. Muhin, *Nuclear Physics*, (1981), J. D. Jackson, *Classical Electrodynamics*, (1991) and other.

In the framework of the political and parliamentary activity, Professor **OLIVIU GHERMAN** was Vice-President of the Romanian Senate (1990-1992), President of the Romanian Senate (1992-1996); he published 33 press articles on political issues.

Since September 4, 2001, Professor **OLIVIU GHERMAN** was the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Romania to France.

From 2003 until 2005 he was the representative of the Romanian State at the International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna.

Professor **OLIVIU GHERMAN** is Honorary Professor of the University of Craiova and in 1995 was granted Doctor Honoris Causa of the State University of the Republic of Moldova.

Our faculty is proud to have Professor **OLIVIU GHERMAN** as a promoter of such important fundamental science, as the physics is and we can say without exaggeration that due to him the Physics exists in University of Craiova

ON HIS 75th ANNIVERSARY WE WISH HIM TO BE STRONG ENOUGH AND TO REMAIN CLOSE TO OUR FACULTY. HAPPY BIRTHDAY PROFESSOR **GHERMAN**! The Editorial Board, PHYSICS AUC, 2005