Preface

The Workshop on Homological Methods in Commutative Algebra was held at the Institute for Studies in Theoretical Physics and Mathematics (IPM) from May 25-31, 2002.

Algebra has always been one of the active areas of research at IPM, and it was a pleasure that this workshop was a precursor to the Year on Commutative Algebra at MSRI. The distinguished visitors and the enthusiastic participants made the workshop a successful event.

This volume contains five articles by the invited speakers along with an enlightening introduction by Professor Foxby.

I hope the activities of Algebra Research Group at IPM flourishes further.

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