



**Tarasov Aleksander Alekseevich  
(1958 – 2016)**

Overnight into May 7 Tarasov Aleksander Alekseevich, a member of editorial board of the journal “Dependability” died suddenly in the pride of his years. He was an excellent scientist, a science facilitator, teacher, friend, a wonderful person and a family man. Aleksander Alekseevich got excellent education. In 1976 he entered Kiev Higher Engineering Radio-Technical School PVO, where leading scientists of the time taught: academicians B.V.Gnedenko and I.N.Kovalenko, an associate member B.N.Malinovsky and others. In 1978 he passed to a famous F.E. Dzerzhinsky Military Academy (today Peter the Great Military Academy) and graduated with distinction with a specialization in Electronic computing techniques. This knowledge served as the basis for successful research career where Aleksander Alekseevich made a great progress – he defended PhD and doctoral theses, he became one of the leading Russian scientists in the field of functional reliability of information systems. Professor Tarasov was characterized in the desire to open up something new in science, research the most

crucial processes. He was among the first scientists who studied the problem of information security of mission-critical objects. His papers on information security made him very popular in this country.

Aleksander Alekseevich was engaged in a considerable pedagogical work. He had held classes in Research Nuclear University MEPhI for many years, he was a head of Institute of information sciences and safety technologies of the Russian state university for the humanities. Professor Tarasov was also a member of several dissertation councils, he was actively involved in the training of educational research specialists. His talent of a teacher was combined with high requirements to a research work of candidates. His commitment to principles contributed to the increase of a scientific level of dissertation councils.

A wonderful person, friend and a family man passed away. We shall keep a loving memory of him in our hearts forever.

*Editorial board  
of the journal “Dependability”*