## **Preface**

Since it was first organized in 1997, the Japan Conference on Discrete and Computational Geometry (JCDCG) continues to attract an international audience. The first five conferences of the series were held in Tokyo, the sixth in Manila, Philippines. This volume consists of the refereed papers presented at the seventh conference, JCDCG 2002, held in Tokai University, Tokyo, December 6–9, 2002. An eighth conference is planned to be held in Bandung, Indonesia.

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