

Editorial

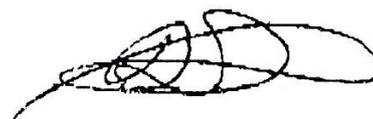
This book includes volumes 1 and 2 of Engineering, Technology & Applied Science Research, covering years 2011 and 2012. Engineering, Technology & Applied Science Research (ETASR) is an international wide scope, peer-reviewed open access journal that publishes original papers concerned with diverse aspects of science application, technology and engineering. In this small editorial, I will briefly refer to some of the goals set and accomplished during these last two years. All interested researchers, scientists and engineers are invited to visit the journal's site to find more info, data and statistics about the journal, read all submitted papers, volunteer as reviewers and submit their own work for review and publication.

One of the basic goals set for ETASR was to provide fast review and publication, respecting the fact that research can become obsolete as being unnecessarily delayed in the publication process, and also that the publication of the work in a timely manner may be essential for the authors' career. With an average review time of 34 days and an average 54 days period from submission to publication, we can feel rather confident that we have achieved this goal. Fast review and publication was however never on expense of the quality of the published material and we always preferred to publish a small number of papers per issue than lowering our standards.

Since the beginning of its operation, ETASR was dedicated in providing helpful reviews, thorough copy editing and reference check, always aiming to help authors to present their work in the best possible way. The constantly growing number of enrolled readers, authors and reviewers and, most importantly, the feedback from authors, is a strong indication that our efforts are noticed and appreciated. Our editorial board members and reviewers are rather important for the operation of the journal. Their names are mentioned in the appendix, as a small token of appreciation for their contribution. All users that have volunteered as reviewers until today are also mentioned in the appendix, as a recognition to their will and eagerness to provide their services (even if some of them have not performed a review yet).

Diversity and internationality was also an important goal set for the journal. A number of 55 papers have been published in these two volumes, covering a wide range of topics. A total of 133 different authors have chosen this journal as a venue for the publication of their work in the past two years, and their affiliations include 65 different institutions and organizations based in 24 different countries. Further, at the end of 2012, the journal's editorial board is consisted of 34 distinguished scientists from 28 different institutions and 16 countries.

We welcome 2013 with this hard copy collective volume which is another step forward for our journal. We are rather confident that with the support of our authors, reviewers and readers more will follow.



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