

Editorial

Dear Readers of the Educational Technology and Society journal,

With this volume, our journal completes its seventh year of publication. The first issue of ET&S was published back in October 1998.

During these years, a number of noticeable achievements have been accomplished. Let us summarize the most important of them:

- Sixteen (16) Special Issues have been published with topics such as: Ontologies and the Semantic Web for E-learning, Innovations in Learning Technology, On-line Collaborative Learning Environments and so on, mobilizing 20 Guest Editors.
- Eighty one (81) Regular Papers have been published covering all areas of interest in the field of Advanced Learning Technologies; it is worthy to mention that all received submissions undergo a double blind review process and the acceptance rate of ET&S has always been below 20%.
- The journal is now included in major scientific publication indexes, such as: ACM Guide to Computing Literature, Australian DEST Register of Refereed Journals, Computing Reviews, Current Contents/Social & Behavioral Sciences, DBLP, Educational Administration Abstracts, Educational Research Abstracts, Elsevier Bibliographic Databases, ERIC Clearinghouse on Information & Technology, Inspec, ISI Alerting Services, Social Science Citation Index, Social Scisearch, Technical Education & Training Abstracts, and VOCED.

In 2003, the Editors responded to your requests for hard-copy version of the journal. As from October 2003, the printed version of ET&S (ISSN 1176-3647) is published and circulated on a subscription basis.

Another major issue in 2004 is the complete re-design and upgrade of the journal's web site. This work was undertaken by the Advanced e-Services for the Knowledge Society Research Unit of Informatics and Telematics Institute-Centre of Research and Technology Hellas in Greece. New functionalities have been added and the journal now has its own domain name at <http://www.ifets.info>.

Finally, we are pleased to welcome a new member in our Editors-in-Chief team.

As from September 2004, Prof. Demetrios G. Sampson, Head of Advanced e-Services for the Knowledge Society Research Unit of Informatics and Telematics Institute-Centre of Research and Technology Hellas and Assistant Professor in Department of Technology Education and Digital Systems-University of Piraeus has joined ET&S Editors-in-Chief team.

Dear colleagues, with this short editorial we would like to thank all authors of our research community who submitted their manuscripts for possible publication in our journal, all Executive Peer Reviewers who constantly support the peer review process in all these years and all of you who have made ET&S a major scientific vehicle in the field of Advanced Learning Technologies.

Yours sincerely,

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