## **EDITORIAL**



## From the Editor-in-Chief

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## Dear colleagues:

At first, I would like to wish you wholeheartedly a Happy New Year with health, happiness and prosperity. I sincerely hope and wish that 2017 is the year where all your wishes and goals become reality.

I would also like to thank all members of the JINT Editorial Board who have worked, work and will work hard for the betterment of our journal. The Editorial Board has a more recent, fresh look with some new members joining the JINT family, and existing members with different roles. Springer and I, owe big thanks to the outgoing members, too.

Planning ahead, we aim at improving even more accepted paper quality, renew and enhance the reviewer database, and reduce the paper review cycle, so that authors are informed about their submitted work within a reasonable time frame. To achieve this objective, we plan on enforcing initial paper processing and assignment to a specific Handling Editor.

Further, in an attempt to respect everybody's time, the Editor-in-Chief and/or the Handling Editors do have authority to read the paper and decide whether it is suitable and at the appropriate technical level for review. Editors may decide, with proper and detailed justification, not to send a submitted paper for review; when this is the case, authors may revise their paper, which, when resubmitted, will be treated as a new contribution.

We continue to commit to excellence. We respect the readership and we accept and consider your judgement and feedback. Do not hesitate to reach out to any of us with comments and ideas.

Enjoy the Issue.

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