From the Editor-in-Chief

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Dear Colleagues,

As we approach the end of 2009, it is time to start looking into the 2010 year. Thus far, we have done well, JINT is better based on all available metrics; however, we want it to be even better. We have not reached our goal yet.

It is true that the number of rejected papers has increased. It is not our intension to 'play the percentage' game. Our intension is to publish the absolute best papers, regardless of percentages – be sure about that. We aim at excellence, never forget that. At the same time, the number of submitted papers is constantly increasing, and this is a good sign of a healthy journal.

Our Editorial Board will have a fresh look. Some members have served long enough, thus a change is needed for many reasons. At first, we do not want to 'abuse' their willingness to serve and help; they are busy, and JINT is not their only responsibility. Secondly, a fresh Editorial Board is the prerequisite to new ideas, initiatives, and momentum. The 2010 board will have a mixture of people.

Last, but not least, we are 'cleaning' the queue of pending papers.
Enjoy the issue.

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