Letter from the Editor

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My words at the beginning of this volume (Volume 4) will be brief, as everything was normal in the past year. The number of high quality paper submissions is steadily increasing, and, I believe, so is the impact of our journal in the academic community.

Beginning with Volume 1, the journal established the annual Best Paper Award(s). I am pleased to announce that the following paper has received the Best Paper Award for Volume 3 (2010) of *Building Simulation*:

- Pei J, Zhang J (2010): Modeling of sorbent-based gas filters: Development, verification and experimental validation. *Building Simulation*, 3: 75 – 86.

Selection of the best paper is based on nominations from the editorial board members and the recommendation of an award selection committee consisting of Joe Clarke, Hazim Awbi, and Tengfang Xu. I would like to thank them

for working very hard to identify the winner among many excellent papers published in 2010.

This special issue contains seven papers focusing on the fundamentals and applications of multi-physical tools in building simulation, guest edited by Dr. A. W. M. van Schijndel. I am in debt to the guest editor, all the authors and reviewers to make this special issue possible. I also hope that you will find this special issue interesting and useful.

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