Editorial

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As incoming honorary editors of OR Insight, we welcome you all to this, our first edition.

Before outlining our own plans and ideas, we wish to offer our thanks to Roy Johnson, who, as Honorary Editor for the last two and a half years, has maintained and improved upon the quality of this important publication. Although this issue is our first, it in fact owes as much to Roy's efforts as to ours, so in some ways serves the joint purpose of being also his last. Thank you Roy.

In his outgoing Editorial, Roy praised the quality of articles, whilst expressing concerns about their quantity during his editorship. We intend to build on this quality, whilst pressing ahead with manageable quantities.

We see little point in changing the aim of OR Insight in the immediate future, but we welcome suggestions. Just to remind readers, OR Insight aims to provide an interesting and stimulating publication which appeals not only to management science practitioners, but also to managers wishing to learn more about operational research (OR). Our interpretation of this aim is fairly broad, and we have revamped the nominated subject areas and the associate editor team to reflect the modern face of OR as we see it. We welcome the newly appointed associate editors on board, and their names and associated subject areas are shown inside the front cover.

The range of subject matter of interest to OR practitioners is ever expanding. A trawl of the stream titles for OR42 confirms new areas of interest such as Learning Organisations, Knowledge Management, Strategy, and E-Commerce, alongside the more traditional subjects such as Simulation. One of our key

objectives for the immediate future of OR Insight will be to represent this diversity. The revamping of subject areas under the new associate editors is expected to help facilitate this process, but none of it can work without contributions from you, the membership of OR and readership of this journal.

Other ideas and initiatives will appear in future editions, but if you have any suggestions as to how the Journal may be improved please email either of us at the email addresses given below.

We have already begun work on future issues with Christine Faulkner and the other staff at the OR office, and count ourselves fortunate to have such a professional and capable backup team.

We look forward to receiving your contributions and comments.