IJSIMM Editors' Report

Dear readers, welcome to the winter issue of the International Journal of Simulation Modelling. For the journal it was a successful year with 60 published papers (Vol. 14) with 195 authors (including co-authors) from 24 countries.

This report covers the editorial activities for the IJSIMM journal during the period from December 01, 2014, to December 10, 2015.

- For the period specified, there were 272 new submissions and 4 resubmissions, 7 papers were withdrawn. For resubmissions: 3 accepted.
- For decisions on manuscripts made during the period, there were 202 rejections and 67 acceptances (all after one or more revisions). Of the 269 decisions made during the period, 18 were late (between 4 and 6 months from date of submission) and 20 very late (over 6 months).
- Mean waiting time of the accepted paper for publishing (in 2015) was 6.5 months (for both offices).
- At present, there are 27 manuscripts under review, of which 7 are late and 3 very late. Nine manuscripts are with the authors for revision.

In the next year we are planning to publish 60 papers. We hope that the waiting times for publishing will not be longer than in 2015.

We would like to thank all our sponsors for their financial support. In our 2015 budget, subscriptions and publishing fee payments account for 91 percent of revenue, compared to 6 percent for companies' and other institutions' support and 3 percent for other public resources.

Many experts within the simulation and modelling community offer their support to our journal. We greatly appreciate the voluntary contribution that each reviewer gives to the IJSIMM. We hope that we may continue to seek your assistance with the refereeing process.

Visitors of the IJSIMM web pages (data based on January – November 2015 analysis) are coming from 62 countries all around the world; from: Europe (27 %), Asia (52 %), North America (10 %), South America (1 %), Africa (7 %), Australia (3 %). The journal is especially recognized and very popular in Asia, South and Eastern Europe and in North Africa. Average bandwidth usage of the www.ijsimm.com site was 8.2 Gb/month (max. 17 Gb/month) – now it is almost tripled, when compared with the previous year.

All the papers from the year 2010 onwards are indexed in Thomson Reuters – Scientific databases (ISI Web of Science; Science Citation Index Expanded; Current Contents). The third Impact Factor for the IJSIMM, calculated in June 2015 for 2014 is 2.083 (Q1 position). We expect good result for the 2015 too. Average time for published papers to be indexed in the WoS is less than 6 weeks.

We conclude the report with a presentation of data from SCImago Country and Journal Rank, based on Scopus bibliographic database (for the year 2014). The IJSIMM journal is positioned as a Q1 journal with H Index: 11. The SJR indicator is 1.143; it measures the scientific influence of the average article in a journal. The indicator "Cites per document (2 years)" measures the scientific impact of an average article published in the journal. For our journal it is 2. For 2014 we have 17 % of self-citations. The "International collaboration" accounts for the articles that have been produced by researchers from more than one country (20 % in 2014).

Wishing you an inspiring and successful 2016!

Editors