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. 16) with 224 authors (including co-authors) from 26 countries.

This report covers the editorial activities for the IJSIMM journal during the period from December 11, 2016, to December 8, 2017.

- For the period specified, there were 207 new submissions and 4 resubmissions, 3 papers were withdrawn. For resubmissions: 3 accepted.
- For decisions on manuscripts made during the period, there were 140 rejections and 58 acceptances (all after one or more revisions). Of the 198 decisions made during the period, 28 were late (between 4 and 6 months from date of submission) and 8 very late (over 6 months).
- Mean waiting time of the accepted paper for publishing (in 2017) was 4.3 months (for both offices).
- At present, there are 15 manuscripts under review, of which 6 are late and 1 very late. Four 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 be shorter than in 2017.

In 2017 we have redesigned the journal's web site. In our 2017 budget, subscriptions and publishing fee payments account for 93 percent of revenue, compared to 4 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'd like to thank the members of the Editorial Board for their outstanding work too.

Visitors of the IJSIMM web pages (data based on January – December 2017 analysis) are coming from 64 countries all around the world; from: Europe (33 %), Asia (45 %), North America (13 %), South America (2 %), Africa (6 %), Australia (1 %). The journal is especially recognized and very popular in Asia and in South and Eastern Europe. Average bandwidth usage of the *www.ijsimm.com* site was 11.6 Gb/month (max. 23 Gb/month); average daily unique visits were 46.

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 fourth Impact Factor for the IJSIMM, calculated in June 2017 for 2016 is 1.770 (Q3 position). We expect good results for the 2017. Average time for published papers to be indexed in the WoS was more than 6 weeks.

We conclude the report with a presentation of data from Scimago Journal & Country Rank, based on **Scopus** bibliographic database (for the year 2016). The IJSIMM journal is positioned as a Q1 journal (in Modelling and Simulation) with *H* Index: 16. The *SJR* indicator is 0.74; 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 1.92. For 2016 we have 25.7 % of self-citations. The "International collaboration" accounts for the articles that have been produced by researchers from more than one country (35 % in 2016).

Merry Christmas and a happy and successful new year!

Editors