

## IJSIMM Editors' Report

Dear readers, welcome to the winter issue of the *International Journal of Simulation Modelling*. For the journal it was a very successful year with 60 published papers (Vol. 18) with 236 authors (including co-authors) from 25 countries, and with many citations received.

This report covers the editorial activities for the IJSIMM journal during the period from December 5, 2018, to December 1, 2019.

- For the period specified, there were 177 new submissions and 2 resubmissions, 3 papers were withdrawn. For resubmissions: 1 accepted.
- For decisions on manuscripts made during the period, there were 114 rejections and 57 acceptances (all after one or more revisions). Of the 171 decisions made during the period, 33 were late (between 4 and 6 months from date of submission) and 2 very late (over 6 months).
- Mean waiting time of the accepted paper for publishing (in 2019) was 2.3 months (for both offices).
- At present, there are 13 manuscripts under review, of which 4 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. In 2019, we were able to reduce the waiting times for publishing to reasonable 2 months, which is acceptable for authors too.

In our 2019 budget, subscriptions and publishing fee payments account for 94 percent of revenue, compared to 4 percent for companies' and other institutions' support and 2 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 2019 – December 2019 analysis) are coming from 60 countries all around the world; from: Europe (25 %), Asia (55 %), North America (11 %), South America (5 %), Africa (3 %), Australia (1 %). The journal is especially recognized and very popular in Asia and in Eastern and South Europe. Average bandwidth usage of the *www.ijssimm.com* site was 10.6 Gb/month (max. 12.6 Gb/month); average daily unique visits were 39.

All the papers from the year 2010 onwards are indexed in **Clarivate Analytics** – Scientific databases (ISI Web of Science; Science Citation Index Expanded; Current Contents). The seventh Impact Factor for the IJSIMM, calculated in June 2019 for 2018 is 1.825 (Q3 position in Industrial Engineering and Manufacturing Engineering categories). Average time for published papers to be indexed in the WoS was more than 4 weeks.

We conclude the report with a presentation of data from Scimago Journal & Country Rank, based on **Scopus** bibliographic database (for the year 2018). The IJSIMM journal is positioned as a Q2 journal (in both categories) with *H* Index: 20. The *SJR* indicator is 0.68; 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 2.07. For 2018 we have 21.2 % of self-citations. The "International collaboration" accounts for the articles that have been produced by researchers from more than one country (21.7 % in 2018).

*Let us look back at the past year with the warmest of memories. Happy New Year!*

*Editors*