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 (Volume 23) with 218 authors (including co-authors) from 21 countries, and with many citations received.

This report covers the editorial activities for the IJSIMM journal (including our Chinese Editorial Office) during the period from December 2, 2023, to December 2, 2024.

- For the period specified, there were 196 new submissions (–10 %) and 4 resubmissions, 2 papers were withdrawn. For resubmissions: 3 accepted.
- For decisions on manuscripts made during the period, there were 120 rejections and 61 acceptances (all after one or more revisions). Of the 181 decisions made during the period, only 10 were late (between 4 and 6 months from date of submission) and 2 very late (over 6 months), indicating a significant improvement.
- Mean waiting time of the accepted paper for publishing (in 2024) was 2.2 months.
- At present, there are 15 manuscripts under review, of which 2 are late and 1 very late. Three manuscripts are with the authors for revision.

In our 2024 budget, subscriptions and publishing fee payments account for 95 percent of revenue, compared to 3 percent for companies' and other institutions' support and 2 percent for other public resources. We greatly appreciate the voluntary contribution that each reviewer gives to the IJSIMM. We would like to thank the members of the Editorial Board for their outstanding work too. Again, thank you all so much.

Visitors of the IJSIMM web pages (data based on January 2024 – November 2024 analysis) are coming from 80 countries all around the world; from: Europe (22 %), Asia (47 %), North America (23 %), South America (3 %), Africa (3 %), Australia (2 %). The journal is especially recognized and popular in Asia, in North America and in Eastern and South Europe. Average bandwidth usage of the *www.ijsimm.com* site was 14.2 Gb/month (+12 %), in May 2024 max. 16.94 Gb/month; average daily unique visits were 14.

All the papers from the year 2010 onwards are indexed in Clarivate Analytics – Scientific databases (ISI Web of Science – WoS; Science Citation Index Expanded; Current Contents). The 12th Impact Factor for the IJSIMM, calculated in June 2024 for 2023 is 2.6 (Q2 positions in Manufacturing Engineering and Industrial Engineering categories). Average time for published papers to be indexed in the WoS was 2 months. IJSIMM's *H*5 index has a value of 21. It counts citations for papers published in the last five calendar years.

We continue the report with a presentation of data from Scimago Journal & Country Rank, based on Scopus bibliographic database (for the year 2023). The IJSIMM journal is positioned as a Q2 journal with *H* Index: 33. The *SJR* indicator is 0.571; it measures the scientific influence of the average article in a journal. The indicator "Cites per document (2 years)" is 3.024. For 2023 we have 22.8 % of self-citations. The "International collaboration" accounts for the articles that have been produced by researchers from more than one country (only 8 % in 2023).

On behalf of China Scientometrics and Bibliometrics Research Center (CSBRC), the *International Journal of Simulation Modelling* has been included into the World Journal Clout Index (WJCI) Report (2022 STM) with the impact evaluation index that integrates citations and web usage. For the IJSIMM it is 1.385 (Q2 position in the Simulation Science and Technology discipline).

You deserve all the best: May all your wishes come true in 2025!

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