

IJSIMM Editors' Report

Dear readers, welcome to the winter issue of the *International Journal of Simulation Modelling*. For the journal it was again a successful year with 60 published papers (Vol. 15) with 207 authors (including co-authors) from 26 countries.

This report covers the editorial activities for the IJSIMM journal during the period from December 11, 2015, to December 10, 2016.

- For the period specified, there were 244 new submissions and 3 resubmissions, 7 papers were withdrawn. For resubmissions: 2 accepted.
- For decisions on manuscripts made during the period, there were 186 rejections and 54 acceptances (all after one or more revisions). Of the 240 decisions made during the period, 11 were late (between 4 and 6 months from date of submission) and 10 very late (over 6 months).
- Mean waiting time of the accepted paper for publishing (in 2016) was 5 months (for both offices).
- At present, there are 9 manuscripts under review, of which 3 are late and 1 very late. Seven 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 2016.

We would like to thank all our sponsors for their financial support. In our 2016 budget, subscriptions and publishing fee payments account for 92 percent of revenue, compared to 5 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 56 countries all around the world; from: Europe (25 %), Asia (56 %), North America (11 %), South America (3 %), Africa (4 %), Australia (1 %). The journal is especially recognized and very popular in Asia and in South and Eastern Europe. Average bandwidth usage of the *www.ijssimm.com* site was 19.5 Gb/month (max. 22 Gb/month) – now it is doubled, 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 fourth Impact Factor for the IJSIMM, calculated in June 2016 for 2015 is 1.683 (Q2 position). We expect good result for the 2016, to keep the Q2 ranking. Average time for published papers to be indexed in the WoS was more than 2 months.

We conclude the report with a presentation of data from SCImago Journal & Country Rank, based on **Scopus** bibliographic database (for the year 2015). The IJSIMM journal is positioned as a Q2 journal with *H* Index: 14. The *SJR* indicator is 0.788; 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 2.2. For 2015 we have 14 % of self-citations. The "International collaboration" accounts for the articles that have been produced by researchers from more than one country (16 % in 2015).

Merry Christmas and a happy and successful new year!

Editors