

EDITORIAL

The REV Journal on Electronics and Communications (REV-JEC) has appeared in the research community for almost two years, with three single issues and two double issues published to date. Without support, help and collaboration of authors, reviewers and colleagues from all around the world, REV-JEC would not be what it is today.

To keep its present quality and at the same time, to increase the participation of potential authors and to enlarge its readership, REV-JEC needs to establish new policies in order to positively pursue its development. We decide, starting by the next issue, to offer three different formats of articles: regular, short and correspondence. While it is required for a regular article to present substantial scientific contributions in sufficient details; a short article should present a complete study with significant contributions, usually more limited in scope than what is found in a regular article; and a correspondence article may offer new ideas, new results or comments that need to be quickly communicated.

The budget for REV-JEC is an important issue for its administration. REV-JEC is a financially self-supported journal; at the same time, one of its main objectives is to remain accessible to a large group of authors and readers. At the last meeting of the REV-JEC Executive Committee, it has been proposed that REV-JEC would no longer provide authors with free-of-charge services for English editing and format converting (for non-L^AT_EX manuscripts).

Furthermore, as REV-JEC is freely available online at REV-JEC website (www.rev-jec.org), if authors wish to receive a hard copy of the issue where their paper is published, they will be charged with a fee covering the per-copy production cost and mailing cost. About the financial costs for different services, interested authors can obtain information from the authors' guidelines on the back cover of the journal issues or on the REV-JEC website.

Also, the administrative structure of REV-JEC will be enhanced. The new structure has an International Advisory Board, a General Director, an Editor-in-Chief and a Board of Associate Editors. The General Director is responsible for the legal, financial and administrative functions; the Editor-in-Chief is responsible for the technical content and quality of the journal. The General Director is appointed by the REV Executive Board, while the Editor-in-Chief is appointed by the REV-JEC Executive Committee. The current Editorial Board and the group of Associate Editors-in-Chief will be replaced by the Board of Associate Editors (invited by the Editor-in-Chief) who will take charge of processing manuscripts (from the initial submission to the final acceptance) that the Editor-in-Chief distributes to them. This new structure will better partition the responsibility and the workload among colleagues who serve voluntarily as editors for REV-JEC. An appropriate selection of Associate Editors will provide a better equilibrium between different fields that REV-JEC is concerned with. In fact, the content of REV-JEC has until recently incidentally favored "Communications" at the expense of other fields. In the future, REV-JEC would like to receive more papers in control, computer engineering, speech and image processing, biomedical engineering, etc...

In order to make REV-JEC become a professionally managed journal, the most important plan that we are trying to implement is to set up a system for online submission and review of papers. Accepted papers will be given a D.O.I. so that their online version can be available for readers much earlier than the printed version. This system will make life of authors and reviewers easier, and it will add more efficiency to REV-JEC team's operation.

We do hope that with these changes, REV-JEC will be able to deliver to its readers a higher quality journal with a low cost for the authors as well as for REV-JEC administration.

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