

Annual Business

THE past year was very good for the *JGCD*. The online version was placed in operation and its use increased. Three special sections on the Benchmark Active Control Technology Project were published under the editorship of Vivek Mukhopadhyay, NASA Langley Research Center. Our Associate Editors continued to do a great job in getting reviews back to authors. In fact, in July, August, and September there were only about three papers (of 150 or so, submitted in the previous six months) that had not been returned to the authors. This is truly a dedicated effort by our Associate Editors, and I want to thank them.

Also with this issue, I am announcing the following changes to our Editorial staff.

Renewed for three-year terms are Associate Editors:

Alain Carrier, Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Center (second three-year term)

Richard Colgren, Lockheed Martin Skunk Works (second three-year term)

Hari Hablani, The Boeing Company (second three-year term)

Ping Lu, Iowa State University (third three-year term)

Steve Osder, Osder Associates (ninth three-year term)

Bala Subrahmanyam, Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Center (third three-year term)

Panagiotis Tsiotras, Georgia Institute of Technology (second three-year term) Renewed as Book Editor:

I. Michael Ross, Naval Postgraduate School (third three-year term)

I would like to welcome the following new Associate Editors, who will start three-year terms:

Kurt Anderson, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Andrew Kurdila, University of Florida

Michael McFarland, Raytheon Electronic Systems

I want to express my thanks to our retiring Associate Editors for their distinguished service:

Arun Banerjee, Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Center (seven years)

James Cloutier, USAF Research Laboratory (two years)

Krishna Krishnakumar, Ames Research Center (six years)

The complete list of current Associate Editors is presented in the following pages.

I must also express my gratitude to all of our anonymous reviewers, who perform the peer reviews that are necessary to maintain the quality of the *JGCD*. The list of reviewers contributing between 1 October 2000 and 30 September 2001 follows the list of Associate Editors. I apologize to any reviewers whose names have been inadvertently omitted from the list.

I would like to acknowledge our International Advisors, who help us in soliciting high-quality papers that represent technical efforts in their countries. They also assist authors who have questions about the review process. I would like to thank our retired International Advisor: Vladimir Peshekhonov, Central Scientific Research Institute-Electropribor, St. Petersburg, Russia. I welcome a new International Advisor: Konstantin Veremeenko, Moscow State Aviation Institute, Russia.

I also wish to acknowledge individuals serving as liaisons between the *JGCD* and AIAA Technical Committees (TCs): Ping Lu, Iowa State University, and Mark Balas, University of Colorado, with the Guidance, Navigation, and Control TC; and Lester Sackett, The Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, with the Astrodynamics TC.

Finally, my thanks to the editorial staff at AIAA headquarters and to the production staff at TechBooks. These dedicated individuals

work at the highest standard in producing the *JGCD*. I also thank Lisa Gorman and Loretta Mitrano, The Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, for making the Editor-in-Chief's office operate smoothly and efficiently all year long, and The Charles Stark Draper Laboratory for its support of the *JGCD*.

Looking ahead to the AIAA 2003 Centennial of Flight celebration, the Editors-in-Chief of the six AIAA archival journals plan to publish a series of special papers throughout the year 2003. Historical papers addressing technologies within the scope of each journal are sought to cover all aspects of aerospace technology. For each journal, these topics are listed under Scope inside the front cover. Several authors are in the process of writing contributions, and potential authors are invited to contact me as soon as possible to discuss contributions of interest to our readers. Dick Battin's paper in this issue is a wonderful example of a contribution to the archival literature.

In past editorials, I have written about the progress made during the year toward meeting the goals that I have as Editor-in-Chief. The goals are 1) maintain the quality of the *JGCD*, 2) increase the number of engineering applications-oriented papers, 3) minimize the time from submission to publication, 4) increase the international involvement in the *JGCD*, and 5) listen to and respond to everyone's concerns. Let me briefly discuss each item.

In terms of quality, the *JGCD* continues to do well in the indices compiled by Scientific Citation Index, particularly in the categories "Total Citations" and "Impact Factor." We continue to attract high-quality papers submitted on a worldwide basis. However, the number of applications-oriented papers submitted needs to increase, and I repeat the call to our community to respond with more relevant papers that can help engineers practice their profession.

The Associate Editors have worked hard to shorten the time from submission of a paper to when the review comments are returned to the author. I am pleased that their efforts have substantially decreased the review time. Our goal is to return every paper within three months of receipt, with an upper limit of six months. Then it will be up to the authors to make revisions as quickly as possible to speed their papers toward publication.

International participation in the *JGCD* continues to increase. Approximately 50% of new paper submittals are from outside the U.S., and the acceptance rate for those papers is about the same as for U.S. papers. Publication tends to be a bit slower, however, as more of these papers need extensive editorial work and revisions of figures. Our International Advisors have been very helpful in soliciting papers. The fact that the *JGCD* is online should aid our international authors and increase our subscription base.

Finally, I continue to encourage communication between our readers and any member of the Editorial Board. I also believe we did a good job last year in covering the span of interests of our readers and in responding quickly to communication. We can do better and we are willing to listen; please contact me directly. My contact information is:

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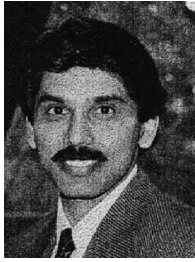
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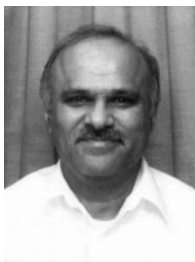
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