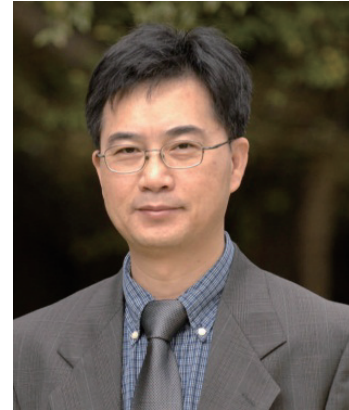


Editorial

GREETINGS FROM THE NEW EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Journal of Mechanics, a professional journal well recognized by international peers in all fields of theoretical and applied mechanics, has ushered in the thirtieth anniversary since it was found in the sprouting days of mainframe computer of 1983. It is an academic journal with historic significance, which has chronicled the development of major mechanics theories and the application of them, and plenty of researchers in fields of mechanics have grown with the journal and played an essential role in the contribution to this asset of mechanics. From this month on, I will succeed Professor Kuang-Chong Wu as the editor-in-chief, and Professor Hung-Yin Tsai will serve as the executive editor after Professor Yi-Chung Shu is relieved. In



this past decade, the editorial board has reached several milestones, consolidating the reputation of Journal of Mechanics among mechanics communities all over the world. I would like to pay my special gratitude to Professor Wu and Professor Shu for their twelve-year dedication to Journal of Mechanics, leading the executively efficient editorial board with their grand insight, endeavoring to bringing international attention and respect from our academic peers to Journal of Mechanics, and, eventually, shedding light on the great expectation for Journal of Mechanics.

We have managed to uplift JMech from a quarterly to a bimonthly journal as an according response to the increasing growth of paper submission, and plan on enlarging the international editorial board by recruiting board members from emerging research fields and different geographic areas to increase our visibility; furthermore, we also need to reduce reviewing time, so as to ensure the prompt publication of good quality articles on timely topics. Beside regular papers, we encourage the submitting of reviews and short articles as well, for that not only expands the extent of the accepted papers, but improves the comparability and instantaneity. And we will co-publish Special Issue with key international conferences, especially those applying mechanics to emerging fields of recent issues, such as microelectronic packaging, micro/nanomechanics, and medical and biological technologies. By introducing more options to the established setting, we believe Journal of Mechanics would be even more extensive and appealing to readers. The history of Journal of Mechanics is still writing its own new pages, and we, as the new editorial board, anticipate that we shall live up to readers' expectancy and concern for Journal of Mechanics.

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