## Editor-in-Chief's Year-End Message

## Dear Readers,

As we approach the conclusion of 2023, I would like to highlight several accomplishments of our IEEE TRANSAC-TIONS ON INSTRUMENTATION AND MEASUREMENT (TIM) during my tenure as the Editor-in-Chief (EiC).

Journal Excellence Update: I am thrilled to announce that in the latest Journal Citation Report (JCR) released in June 2023, TIM has maintained its position in Quartile 1 (Q1) in both the Instruments and Instrumentation category and the Electrical and Electronic Engineering category. Moreover, TIM's Impact Factor has experienced growth, climbing from 5.332 to 5.6 (4.3 excluding self-citations). Notably, TIM continues to hold the top spot as the #1 journal in General Instrumentation and Measurement, as measured by Impact Factor, five-year Impact Factor, and Article Influence Score. These achievements are a testament to the collective efforts of our dedicated authors, reviewers, associate editors (AEs), senior area editors (SAEs), associate EiCs, past EiCs, and our administrators. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each one of you for your outstanding contributions, and I eagerly anticipate our continued collaboration in elevating TIM to new heights.

Increasing Paper Submissions: TIM has experienced a substantial increase in submissions, and we are anticipating a total of over 8000 submissions in 2023. This marks a significant rise of 1500 submissions compared to the previous year (2022). The heightened focus on quality has notably enhanced TIM's reputation, consequently attracting a greater number of submissions. In an effort to better serve our authors, we have expanded our team by adding more AEs and enlarging our EiC core team members. With the valuable assistance of

our three editorial assistants, we aim to effectively manage the ever-growing influx of submissions.

*Editorial Board Update:* Over the past year, we have consistently identified new AEs from our pool of reviewers, recognizing their outstanding performance in terms of paper reviews, review quality, and publications in TIM. Their exemplary performance as AEs has been notable. Looking ahead, in the upcoming year, my plan is to further expand our editorial board by recruiting additional AEs to address specific topic needs. I express my gratitude to Amitava Chatterjee and Anirban Mukherjee for their exceptional service to TIM; they have recently resigned due to new commitments. In addition, I extend a warm welcome to the new members joining our editorial board in the coming year. For a comprehensive overview of the TIM Editorial Board, please refer to the webpage at https://ieee-ims.org/committee/ieee-tim/editorial-board.

TIM@12MTC Update: We extended invitations to all authors of TIM papers from 2022 to present their work at I2MTC 2023. This resulted in 31 registered TIM papers being presented as posters at the conference held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. This represents a fantastic opportunity for our TIM authors to spotlight their research findings. I strongly encourage your active participation in this event and attendance at our society's flagship conference next year in Glasgow, U.K.

Anticipating further accomplishments in 2024. Best Regards,

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