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## EDITORIAL

Welcome to the second issue of the SCS M&S Magazine of the year 2013! We wish that you have pleasant time in the upcoming spring season. Also, it would be great that you join SummerSim 2013 in Toronto, CA. There have been a number of developments in SCS M&S magazine during this spring season. First, as an initiative to increase the article contributions from our audience, the editorial team has come up with a new Call-for-Papers leaflet. The leaflet is posted on the SCS M&S Magazine site, and it has been distributed through SIMSOC (Simulated Society, or SIMSOC online) mailing list. Second, the editor team has strengthened its personnel by recruiting young scholars who want to contribute and participate. Besides of three editors-in-chief from North America, Europe, and Asia, Dr. Jeonghee Hong and Prof. Alfredo Garro joined the editor team as associate editors. If you are a young scholar who want to contribute to your research society, please let editor-in-chiefs know your willingness to join.

### This issue introduces four interesting articles:

- Andrew Whitmore contributed an article, "Contemporary Defense Simulation Outlook" Simulation modeling has played an important role in modern military strategy and planning since the early 1900s. This relationship is alive and well today as U.S. military spending on commissioned simulation work has markedly increased over the last decade. The article shows the geographical distribution and the career opportunities for the simulation experts.
- Il-Chul Moon contributed an article, "Theoretical Interplay between Abstraction, Resolution and Fidelity in Model Information". While abstraction, resolution and fidelity are the corner stones of the modeling and simulation discipline, they are often casually utilized. Moreover, their interplay is not investigated in-depth with explicit operationalization of the concepts. This article operationalizes the concept of abstraction, resolution and fidelity by focusing on the aspect of model information.
- Anthony H. Dekker contributed an article, "Where's the tea? - Simulating Human Behavior" This article examines the adequacy of simple computer models in simulating human behavior. The article surveys existing literature on models of evacuation & pedestrian flow, product pricing, the spread of disease, changes in agriculture & land use, and social interaction.
- Finally, Andreas Tolk contributed a review article, "Review of the 2013 Spring Simulation Multi-Conference" This article summarizes the major tracks and the highlighted presentations at the conference.

Overall, this issue covers interesting mixture of topics varying from a theoretic study to a contemporary market review in the modeling and simulation community. We are looking forward to receive your thoughts and opinions as letters to the editor or as articles to the magazine. Again, hope you have a nice summer vacation.

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