Welcome to the second edition of the M&S Magazine presented to you by the Society for Modeling and Simulation International (SCS). As I pointed out in my editorial comments in the first (i.e., January) issue, the mandate of this quarterly e-publication is serve as a general interest publication. This, in particular, means that the articles will strive to be appealing to the broadly based modeling and simulation community.

The domain of applicability of the modeling and simulation problem solving paradigm is vast and relentlessly becoming even “vaster”. Our goal is to explore ideas that are newly emerging on this landscape and, as well, to endeavor to consolidate closely related ideas that already exist. The emphasis is entirely with making key ideas accessible to non-experts and consequently the presentation in the articles needs to be appropriately tailored. One of the links provided on the M&S Magazine’s home-page is labeled “Scope and Author Guidelines”. Useful information about the orientation of articles is provided there for interested authors.

Three months (more or less) have elapsed since the first issue of the M&S Magazine appeared on the SCS website. Regrettably however, I must report that to date, there has been minimal feedback from our readers. In fact there has been none!! So there are no Letters-to-the-Editor to share with you. Nevertheless I continue to believe that the messages being presented in the magazine’s articles are striking some resonant chords among our readers and soon a wave of feedback will begin!

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