

## Editorial

As the attentive reader will have noticed, in conjunction with the September issue of *JOS* Lars Lyberg transferred the editorial responsibility into new hands. Founder of the journal, with an outstanding record as Editor-in-Chief extending over more than 25 years, Professor Lyberg has now assumed a new role. As Chairman of the Board of *JOS*, he will be able to provide sage advice to the new Editors-in-Chief.

We are very grateful for the opportunity to continue the work that Lars started, and very proud to do so. We aim to maintain the journal's strong focus on methodological and other questions in the production of official statistics, and on survey methodology in general. At the same time we aim to boost even further the role of *JOS* as a forum where high-quality research meets advanced application. Through the integration of processes in the production of statistics and the availability of a broad range of data sources, the stage is set for new perspectives and creative new ways of producing and providing high-quality statistics. In publishing research in this wide area, we hope to promote current best practices both for statistics production and for related research.

As a peer-reviewed journal, *JOS* is crucially dependent on a broad international group of highly skilled referees who devote their time and knowledge to evaluating submissions to it. Further, *JOS* is hugely dependent on the internationally acknowledged experts constituting the dedicated community of Associate Editors who nurture submitted manuscripts into top-level scientific contributions. *JOS* will continue to gratefully rely on the efforts of authors, referees and editors in order to maintain its position as a leading international survey methodology journal.

We are happy to announce that Thomson Reuters have started to index *JOS* for inclusion in their Science Citation Index. Indexed from the first issue of 2008, *JOS* will make its initial appearance in the 2010 Journal Citation Reports, to be published in the spring of 2011.

Finally, on the practical side, we would like to mention that *JOS* is finalising an online manuscript management portal. When in place, it will be accessible from the journal's website. We expect the new system to provide a more transparent and timelier process of manuscript evaluation.

Thank you for your continued interest in *JOS*.

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