Introducing the New JETWI Editor-in-Chief
(Dr. Simon Fong)

As my four-year term as the founding editor of the Journal of Emerging Technologies in Web Intelligence (JETWI ISSN 1798-0461) ends in Feb 2013, it gives me great pleasure to introduce my longtime friend and colleague Dr. Simon Fong as the next Editor-in- Chief of JETWI. Dr. Fong is a Professor of Computer and Information Science at the University of Macau and among the founding members of the Data Analytics and Collaborative Computing Research Group in the Faculty of Science and Technology. Dr. Fong graduated from La Trobe University, Australia, with a 1st Class Honours BEng in Computer Systems degree (1993) and a PhD in Computer Science degree (1998). Prior to joining the University of Macau, he worked as an Assistant Professor in the School of Computer Engineering, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. Prior to his academic career, Simon took up various managerial and technical posts, such as systems engineer, IT consultant and e-commerce director in Melbourne, Hong Kong and Singapore. Some companies that he worked before include Hong Kong Telecom, Singapore Network Services, AES Pro-Data and United Oversea Bank, Singapore.

Throughout his 16 year research history, Dr. Fong has managed to accomplish astounding results. You can actually feel it, if you follow the range of publications and the focused research goals that he outlined during academic service. His first important research mission started after he gained his PhD during 1998 where his research focuses was on Analytical Modeling of Computer Networks and in particular addressing the QoS challenge within distributed networking environments. Although this research area is still an active one, Dr. Fong started from the year 2000 till 2009 to project his distributed networking research experience on areas like social networking, e-commerce and business intelligence. His success in this direction attracted many large grants (external and internal) with large number of graduate students and associates. His contributions in this direction were more than notable especially in vital areas related to Agent-oriented Systems, Knowledge Oriented Negotiation in B2B/E-Commerce Systems and Recommenders. However, Dr. Fong research from 2010 started to be more focused on Data Mining and Web Intelligence especially on analyzing data on fly while such data are streamed to ubiquitous and mobile devices. In this direction he managed to be unique and take strong research leadership in providing effective analytical models for stream based data mining (e.g. OVFDT and iOVFDT).

Dr. Fong has extensive publications as well as editorial experience in the field of Web Intelligence and Data Mining. Her served as JETWI editor since 2009 and acted as a guest editor for two JETWI special issues. He is the EiC of the International Journal on Data Mining and Intelligent Technology Applications (IJMIA) and also on the editorial board of several other notable journals like (KIPS, IARIA, JCIT and IJCAT). In addition, Dr. Fong has been a keynote and invited speaker at various international conferences and universities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all JETWI Editors, authors, readers, and reviewers for their great help and support over the past four years. Also I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Dr. George Sun (Executive Editor of the Academy-Publisher-Finland) for his continuous support during my period of service. Finally, I would like to thank both Dr. Sun and Dr. Fong for their generous invitation that I should continue with JETWI as the Honorary Editor. I look forward to a bright future for JETWI under the leadership of Dr. Fong.

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