

## *Editorial note*

The Journal of Natural Language Engineering (JNLE) has enjoyed another very successful year. Two years after being accepted into Thomson Reuters Citation Index and being indexed in many of their products (including both the Science and the Social Science editions of the Journals Citation Rankings (JCR)), the journal further established itself as a leading forum for high-quality articles covering all aspects of Natural Language Processing research, including, but not limited to, the engineering of natural language methods and applications. I am delighted to report an increased number of submissions reaching a total of 92 between January–September 2014.

There are a number of positive developments from 2014, which I am proud to announce. As a result of growing interest in the journal and the field in general, we have responded by launching five issues in 2015 and from 2016 JNLE will offer six issues per year to its readers. I am equally proud to announce that as of 2015 each volume will consist of 160 pages, as opposed to 144 pages previously!

There are many more recent changes I would like to share with you. JNLE has launched its own Twitter account, which will provide updates on the latest advancements in the field and general news associated with the journal. We will announce the latest *First View* articles, new printed and online issues, as well as state-of-the-art developments which may be of interest to the Natural Language Engineering community and – in general – aim to connect further with many individuals working in the area.

We shall continue encouraging the submission of surveys and our intention is to resume the publication of industry-related features. The special issues – which have been a great success – will continue, and in addition to the regular calls for special issues we have also decided to consider outstanding proposals at any time on a case-by-case basis.

As a result of the increased activities of the journal and to address better the new challenges, two new Associate Editors will be appointed to assist the Executive Editor.

I am very indebted to Patrick McCartan, Publishing Director, Social Science and Humanities Journals at Cambridge University Press (CUP) for his unreserved support, which has significantly contributed to the success of the journal. I am also grateful to Amy Woolf, CUP Production Editor and Robert Driver, CUP Journals Marketing Executive.

I would like to thank my fellow Editors, Branimir Boguraev, Martha Palmer and John Tait, with whom I regularly discuss important issues. I would also like to acknowledge the Book Reviews Editor, Kemal Oflazer, the input of the Editorial Board members and Natalia Konstantinova.

I extend a warm welcome to the new members of the Editorial Board: Tracy Holloway King, Helen Meng, Jong Park and Idan Szpektor. It is also my pleasure to introduce the new Editorial Assistants who will be working with me on the journal:

Shiva Taslimipour, Rut Gutiérrez Florido, Sara Može and Helen Williams.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a very big ‘thank you’ to Martha Palmer who is standing down as an Editor as from 2015 and who has provided excellent service to the journal.

I would like to express my gratitude to the Members of the Editorial Board who left in 2014: Stephen Clark, Rada Mihalcea, Yuji Matsumoto and Rajeev Sangal, as well as the outgoing Editorial Assistants Dr Miranda Chong and Katerina Raisa Timonera for their dedicated work.

Thank you to all of you who have contributed to the journal and helped it to go from strength to strength; I can assure you that these positive developments will be a continuous and common practice.

Ruslan Mitkov, Executive Editor