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## Editorial

Dear Reader,

A new year brings new challenges as well as new opportunities. It also provides an occasion to briefly pause and reflect on past endeavours and achievements. For us who have the privilege on being part of the IAER family (International Association for Educators and Researchers), 2018 has seen the challenge and reward of inaugurating two international conferences (IEEE International Conference on Computing, Electronics & Communications Engineering 2018 and the International Conference on Emerging Technologies in Computing 2018) as well as the AETiC journal receiving its first CiteFactor rating and its inclusion in their JCR (Journal Citation Report).

As we move forward into 2019, it would be great to see the IAER family grow both numerically and in terms of its depth and breadth. To that end, it would be good to hear from those that wish to contribute to the life of this journal through the submission of high quality research articles or through joining us at the second in the series of the aforementioned conferences.

A primary aim of the IAER family is to encourage high quality research, facilitate the dissemination of its findings, and to help grow a collective of people that have the desire to see technologies, that are developing so quickly, deployed for the benefit of society as a whole. It would be great to have you as part of that family.

In closing, I would like to extend my personal thanks to all those that have helped the IAER in 2018. In particular, my thanks and gratitude go to Dr. Mahdi H. Miraz who has been the driving force in making so much happen in such a short space of time.

With best wishes for the year ahead.

Professor Andrew Ware, On behalf of the Editorial Board, Annals of Emerging Technologies in Computing (AETiC).