

## EDITORIAL

# In and Beyond This Issue

There includes five essays in this Issue (no. 3, Vol. 46.); namely, 1. A case study on the use of library resources and services; 2. Practice on the preservation for digital archive system; 3. Studies on metadata for organizing electronic journals; 4. A study on the factors affecting knowledge sharing of computer and 3C virtual communities; and 5. A study on homeschoolers' information behavior. These five topics are of great value and very inspiring in today's Internet world. They are also great works of the authors who have put efforts and time practicing and studying on them. These essays are quite worth your reading and consulting. In addition to the encouragement from the readers, we are also expecting your academic comments and suggestions.

As for the contributions to this Issue, there are totally 19 essays up to the late May. Eight are still in the process of Peer Review whereas eleven have been scrutinized. The final result is only five are accepted for publication in this Issue. Therefore, the rate of rejecting contributors is 55%. If those which survived from first review of critical judges and revised for second time were counted, there were totally 13 essays; therefore, the rate of rejection turns to 62%.

This Spring issue is printed a little late. It is close to hot summer now. The editors, sweating in hot weather of June, finished this new Issue and published it. The staff who edited the *JoEMLS* is way bigger than they started at the very beginning decades ago. That does not mean they can share less load; instead, they must bear newly created services and responsibilities. Our senior and experienced managing editor, Sz-Shi Kao, has contributed his efforts to this Journal for more than 40 years. He still worked with us, the younger generation, even after his retirement. Editor assistants (research students) come and go year by year have learned the knowledge of how to publish and promote academic journals. Standing on the shoulders of former chief editor, Professor Shih-hsion Huang, the staff strived to improve the quality of the Journal so as not to disappoint the contributors and the readers as well.

In order to grasp the great opportunity, the staff for the *JoEMLS* will summon all talents and energy after July this year to achieve the tasks as the following: 1. Retrieving the digital archive system for our back issues; 2. Improvement of Metadata and Google full-text search; 3. Service for "ForeSight", posting the peer-reviewed articles online in advance of print. The goal of ForeSight is to show the advantages of digital journals, to relieve the anxiety of those "early bird"

authors who are expecting to see the print, and to shorten the publication lag.

There is a great difference between the publishing environments for academic journals in Taiwan and those in China/Western areas. Publishing in Taiwan are relatively difficult and distorted mainly because the scale of academic community is too small, partly because government policy is too passive and indifferent, and further because citations index databases of foreign articles are too dominate over local ones. As for certain concepts, scholars of the Library & Information Science (LIS) often ignore the mutual coordination between “publishing industry” and “knowledge economy”. They advocate “Open Access (OA)”, but they are not aware of the difference between local and foreign situations. Although they know the importance of “non-exclusive license” for digital database, they have no idea that “non-exclusive license” is not totally meaningless repetition of licensing and laboring; instead, it implies that it encourages “anti-monopoly”, “maintaining competitiveness”, and “free markets”. The LIS community should actively cooperate with the publishing industry. Mutual understanding is vital, too. Under such a harmonious atmosphere, the accomplished fact is that most of the LIS community cooperated with database providers and journal aggregators are much smoother than other academic communities will act. However, the LIS journal publishers take more efforts and are facing the dilemma of OA or non-OA policy.

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## 編者言

# 本期紀要與展望

這一期(46卷3期)收錄的5篇論文,依序分別為圖書館資源利用與服務個案研究、數位典藏與保存實作、電子期刊Metadata探析、數位產品虛擬社群知識分享、在家自學資訊行為研究等。這些議題在現今網路資訊環境中,相當具有應用價值及啟發性,皆為作者們深耕久之實務與研究成果最新力作。這些論文非常值得大家閱讀與參考,而在鼓勵之餘,我們亦期待讀者們能不吝給予學術觀點上的評論與回應。

本卷期退稿率統計,截至5月底合計19篇新稿,其中8篇稿件仍處於同儕評閱流程中,11篇論文已獲得評閱結果,本卷期接受其中5篇論文,其退稿率為55%;若以本期審畢稿件中,被要求「修改重審」件數計算「稿次」,則本期計有13稿次,稿次退稿率計為62%。

本春季號出刊時間有些延宕,在接近溽暑之季,編輯同仁揮汗六月天完成新卷期之出版,教育資料與圖書館學季刊之編輯工作團隊已遠超乎初期規模甚多,但卻不意味著工作量的減少,而是更多新創服務內容和責任的承攬。我們的資深編輯高禎熹老師,在近四十年來不辭勞苦的為季刊犧牲奉獻,即使於退休之後,仍與我們這些後輩一同打拼;一屆又一屆編輯助理(研究生)們來去之間,他們學習到了學術期刊出版與傳播的知識;編輯同仁在前主編黃世雄教授所奠立之基礎上,不斷思索如何提高本刊品質,不致辜負作者與讀者們的託付及期許。深感於這般因緣際會,教育資料與圖書館學季刊將於今年七月起,集合相當人力著手進行回溯建檔數位化工程、Metadata與Google全文檢索等改造工程;並且推出「先知先覺」(ForeSight)電子預印本服務,即時將已完成同儕評閱之個別接受稿,預先公開於本刊網路版,其目的在於展現電子期刊應有之優勢、舒緩“Early Bird”作者翹首引盼之苦,彌補出版時滯(Publication lag)之缺憾。

台灣學術期刊出版環境的確與中國大陸或歐美地區有著明顯差異。台灣學術期刊出版事業是一個相對困窘和扭曲的環境。它受囿於學術社群規模過小、官方政策消極無為、國外引文資料庫掛帥等事實所影響。在某些觀念上,圖書資訊學界常忽略「出版產業」與「知識經濟」之間的必然性,談「公開取閱」(Open Access)卻不辨本土與國外既成環境之異;雖能知悉電子資料庫「非專屬授權」的重要性,卻不明白「非專屬授權」並非毫無意義的重複授權與勞動,亦不瞭解其背後所蘊藏的是鼓勵「非壟斷」、「競爭力存續」與「自由市場」的道理。圖書資訊界與出版產業必須有更多的共謀與體諒。就主編角色而言,辦

「圖書資訊學」期刊就是在這一種氛圍下，因知識背景，而顯得比一般學科較為得心應手；但卻因理念，實施OA政策與否？而顯得格外兩難與矛盾。

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