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Editorial

WE are living in strange and difficult times. The pandemic has changed the ways people work and communicate, giving more emphasis on the electronic media and making E-Communicators out of professors.

As an electronic journal that has no physical presence, it would be deemed reasonable that we would suffer little with these new conditions (the so called "new normal"). Our reviewers have always communicated with us using e-mails and our readers are used to reading our papers online, with no paper whatsoever involved in the process.

Unfortunately, despite our all-electronic footprint, we were also affected by the pandemic, which had a real impact in our work.

A lot of colleagues have suffered immensely with the new work conditions. Therefore, it was more difficult to find reviewers and for those already selected to adhere to the stipulated timelines.

I do not say that to blame anyone. On the contrary, I believe that this is the new normal that we, editors and publishers worldwide, will have to face. Professors are under pressure and need to adapt to a new environment, to learn new skills and sometimes, other activities will be left behind. As the saying goes, sometimes the important must give way to the urgent.

We will strive to adapt ourselves, always working to keep the quality level that we have always delivered and as much as possible, the speed for which we were recognized, for we believe that trust is hard earned and we will strive to keep it as long as possible.

We understand that this goal will not always be achievable. This time, for instance, we were a few days late in publishing this edition (less than a week, but still, a delay to which we are not used). Nevertheless. our readers can be sure that we are going to do our best and hopefully we will keep serving the scientific community and the public at large in an excellent way and this kind of glitch, no matter how minor it may be, is not acceptable according to our standards.

As mentioned above, this edition was a bit late, and our turnaround time increased a little bit (each paper took about 65 days per iteration and needed 2.2 iterations with our reviewers to get published). It was still possible to review them in a single semester, with little spill over to our next edition, and publish a full issue with many different and relevant papers from all walks of Computer Science.

Therefore, we were able to produce interesting content, which is both scientific sound and impart knowledge to readers of all levels of academia and also of the business community, which, hopefully, will consider our papers as a foundation for their relevant work.

Therefore, we strived, as always to create a product that will leave the halls of academia and serve as means to communicate good science to society at large. Our papers were written in a clear style (as far as the scientific style goes) and can be used as reference to students of all levels.

We hope to continue being a vehicle for scientific communication and also a tool for the improvement of Science (with capital "S") both in Brazil and in all the world. This is the mission of the Salesian order and therefore, the mission of our journal as well.

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