It is my pleasure to present this issue to our readers. This issue of the World Transactions on Engineering and Technology Education (WTE&TE), Vol.12, No.2, is a large issue that includes 35 high quality educational articles from Australia, Greece, Russia, the United States of America, and the People’s Republic of China, with the latter providing the majority of contributions. The articles endeavour to address a multitude of issues of concern to engineering and technology educators in universities and other tertiary academic institutions, with particular emphasis on the cooperation with, and the involvement of, industry and other employers of engineers and technologists.

It is hoped that our readers will find these articles stimulating and thought provoking, and will react to them with their own articles on research and development activities and experiences.

On another front, the organisation of the 3rd World Conference on Technology and Engineering Education, to be held at the Technological Education Institute of Piraeus, Piraeus-Athens, Greece, between 8 and 11 September 2014, is in its final stages with the collection of research papers to be presented at the Conference. It is envisaged that the papers presented at the Conference, will be published in Vol.12, No.3 of the World Transactions on Engineering and Technology Education, with Professor George Metaxas of the TEI-Piraeus as Guest Editor. There will also be scope for other contributions to ensure a good mixture of themes, topics and ideas, as well as the geographic coverage.

Another matter, which will be of interest to WIETE readers, members or associates is the forthcoming 6th WIETE Annual Conference on Engineering and Technology Education, to be held in late February or early March in 2015. We have not yet identified a potential host and venue but will do so in the not-so-distant future. Therefore, we hereby call for expressions of interest to provide the WIETE with a venue and organisational support for this Conference. Since WIETE-organised conferences are financially self-supporting ventures, there is no requirement for the local host to provide financial support, but a lecture room and organisational assistance are required. Interested parties should contact the WIETE Director to discuss this matter.

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