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## Editorial

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**Biographical notes:** David Taniar holds a PhD degree in Computer Science, with a particular specialty in high performance databases. His research area has now expanded to Grid and Web databases. He has published extensively, including a newly released book on 'Object-Oriented Oracle'. He is an Editor-in-Chief of several international journals, including *Web and Grid Services*, *Web Information Systems*, *Mobile Information Systems*, *Mobile Multimedia*, *Data Warehousing and Mining*, and *Business Intelligence and Data Mining*. He is also a Fellow of the Institute for Management Information Systems (FIMIS).

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Welcome to the first issue of the second volume of IJWGS. IJWGS is now celebrating its first birthday. We are starting this volume by having a special issue on *Web Services, Business Processes and Services Science*, edited by Casey K. Fung (Boeing Phantom Works, USA) and Patrick C. K. Hung (University of Ontario Institute of Technology, Canada).

In 2006, we will possibly have another special issue on selected topics in web and grid services. We also look forward to having an entry of this journal in the DBLP server (<http://www.informatik.uni-trier.de/~ley/db/index.html>). The publisher and myself are working toward having IJWGS to appear in the scholar.google.com, as well.

2006 imposes many challenges, and I believe it will be an exciting as well as rewarding year to us – the IJWGS team.