Preface

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Welcome to the first issue of the third volume of the *International Journal of Web and Grid Services (IJWGS)*. IJWGS is now celebrating its second birthday. It is perhaps now the right time to reflect what have been achieved in 2006 and what to expect in 2007.

Last year, we had four issues, three of which are special issues. The first special issue was on web services, business processes and services science. The second special issue features some selected papers from the *International Workshop on Ubiquitous Web Systems and Intelligence*. The third special issue was on Mobile Semantic and Mobile Services.

In 2007, we will possibly have two special issues: one on Grid Middleware and the other on Grid Testbeds.

Citations to IJWGS papers look very promising too, based on a rough check in Google Scholar. When searching *Journal of Web and Grid Services* using Google Scholar, at the time, this preface was prepared (February 2007), 30 papers were found. In term of the citation, we found it very encouraging. We calculated that there were 57 citations made to the 30 papers. Although this citation analysis is not scientifically proven, nevertheless, this shows a good sign.

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