Editorial

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This is the first issue of the second volume of *IJOGCT*, which has now entered its second year of publication. The main goal of *IJOGCT* is to publish quality papers in all areas of oil, gas and coal technology with particular regard to environmental and economic constraints from all over the world. In addition to fossil type fuels there is special interest in alternative forms of fuel such as hydrogen and biofuels. The first volume of this journal contained papers in areas related to geological studies, reservoir modeling and engineering, gas engineering and its economic role as a source of energy, statistical analysis of various forms of fuels, coal technology and processing, pollution control in the petroleum industry, biofuel technology and biomass processing.

An attempt was made to have a speedy reviewing process and to shorten the decision-making period on submitted manuscripts. The average time period from the date of submission to the date of final acceptance was about three months. In this regard, timely review of papers by the reviewers and board members is greatly appreciated. An attempt will be made to have some kind of initial decision on submitted papers within two months of the date of submission. The number of submitted manuscripts has been increasing and we look forward to receiving more contributions from academics and scientists from around the world. I also would like to thank the authors who have contributed to *IJOGCT* in the past year as well as the staff and mangers of Inderscience Publishers particularly Ms. Janet Marr the Journal Manager of *IJOGCT*.