Editorial

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Biographical notes: Ngoc Thanh Nguyen has edited 25 special issues in international journals, 20 books and 16 conference proceedings. He is the author of five monographs and about more than 230 other publications. He serves as the Editor-in-Chief of *International Journal of Intelligent Information and Database Systems*, *Transactions on Computational Collective Intelligence* (Springer) and two book series: *Advances in Applied Intelligence Technologies* and *Computational Intelligence and its Applications* for IGI Global Publishers. He has been the General Chair or Program Chair of 16 international conferences. He is also the Chair of IEEE SMC Technical Committee on Computational Collective Intelligence.

It is my great pleasure to announce the sixth volume of the *International Journal of Intelligent Information and Database Systems* (*IJIIDS*), published by Inderscience Publishers. It is just the sixth year of the activities of our journal.

In the previous five years, we have published over *140* high quality papers in 24 issues, which present the newest approaches and challenges the fields of intelligent information and database systems. We are very satisfactory that all planned issues were published on due time.

I am pleased to announce that *IJIIDS* has been included in the *Scored Journal List* of Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education and in the *Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) Australian Research Council: Ranked Journal List 2010*. The journal is now indexed in a number of important databases, among others in *EI*, *Scopus*, *DBLP*, *Google Scholar*, *ACM Library*, *Computer Database*, *Computer and Information Systems*, *Inspec*, *io-port*, and *Scirus*. We are going to increase the number of indexes in the next years. *IJIIDS* has been also selected as the post-publication for several prestigious international conferences such as KES-ASMTA 2010, KES-ASMTA 2011, ACIIDS 2010, ACIIDS 2011, ICCCI 2010, and ICCCI 2011.

IJIIDS strives to cover all aspects of intelligent technology applications for information processing, data processing and databases. Papers highlighting the advances in intelligent information systems and intelligent database technologies for solving problems in management, industry, engineering, administration, education, etc. are very welcome. Authors of evaluation studies of the existing intelligent systems and tools that emphasise the comparative studies and user experiences are cordially encouraged to submit their works.

I cordially invite all potential authors to submit their high quality papers to publication in *IJIIDS*. We do our best to guarantee the quick and solid peer-review process.

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