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EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Readers,

Welcome to our second Special Issue on Wicked Problems. Editors, Domenico Dentoni (Wageningen University), Brent Ross (Michigan State University), and Otto Hospes (Wageningen University) have accomplished a herculean task which is notable for several reasons. Over the first six months of publication, users have downloaded 387 articles per month, or over 2,300 articles! Scholars should take note. The three editors wanted to elevate the important issue of wicked problems. They could have collaborated on one article but instead have edited a special issue which generated 17 articles from scholars around the world. They have produced two issues on this topic that are having significant impact. Please do not hesitate to contact me or one of our Managing Editors if you have an interest in editing a Special Issue. We are here to serve you, so let us help you have an impact.

Wicked Two focuses on the applied process of wicked problem management. While the problems are well documented, what do you do about it? The Editors have assembled seven articles highlighting wicked problem management in action, from entrepreneurial firms in the upper Midwest United States to small holder clients of Rabobank in Africa.

Finally, in 2014 we will change our publication fee structure to better match our expenses. As many of you know, we are funded only by the fees we collect from authors, sponsorship of special issues, and advertising in the IFAMR. We are an independent, open- access, not-for-profit journal that is not part of a large publishing house. Being independent is wonderful as we are extremely nimble and responsive to our authors. But independence requires our authors to pay the bills of publishing. We currently charge \$750 per article. Starting in 2014 our publication fees will be as follows: \$750 per article, for the first 15 pages (single spaced, 12 pt font, 1 inch margins, Times Roman; including tables, figures, references, and appendices). There will be an additional charge of \$50 per page for each additional page above 15 pages.

Enjoy the issue.

Peter Goldsmith, Executive Editor, IFAMR