

Editorial Note

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In the last months I have been in close contact with Martin Bichler. Although I was aware of how well the BISE Journal had developed in recent years, the conversations and discussions with Martin have made me even more respectful of the role of the editor-in-chief, the work, the thoughts and the sweat that flow into the journal, Martin as a person and his team. We as the BISE community definitely owe him a lot and I am very grateful for the good condition in which I can take over the EiC's office and responsibility. But I am also grateful to be able to take over a strong team of vice editors-in-chief, department editors, and the entire editorial board.

From January 2019 onwards all submission fall into my area of responsibility. I look forward to handling these (probably) very diverse but valuable contributions to the progress of our field with passion and fairness.

But I am also looking forward to further develop our community journal in the changing scientific environment. Some of my thoughts and ideas have already been put down on paper in the 60th BISE anniversary special issue: "Views on the past, present, and future of Business and Information Systems Engineering." But also apart from these abstract ideas, there will always be many concrete developments to address.

I am very happy to listen to you as a community for your views on such issues since as a community journal we are heavily dependent on these inputs. Although I will try to keep my finger on the pulse, I would appreciate your ideas about and input on new topics and trends – please always feel free to make proposals for new special issues. In addition, there are many other ways to share thoughts relevant for the community through our journal, such as in the interview or the catchword section (the latter was handed over to Ulrich Frank). Once in a while, the thematic focus of certain departments also adapts to new and emerging topics. But in order to adequately reflect our community, continuous renewal and rejuvenation are and will also remain a crucial topic for the editorial board.

An exciting time lies ahead of us – many opportunities and perhaps some stumbling blocks. Nevertheless, I am sure that our community and the BISE journal can cope with all of this. Many thanks to all authors who will contribute to BISE. Many thanks also in advance to all the editors and reviewers who are ready to assist the managing process of the hopefully growing flood of excellent submissions. I am looking very much forward to working with all of you!

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