

## Publisher's note

# What's new at *Biomedizinische Technik/Biomedical Engineering*?

The new year will see some important changes at *Biomedizinische Technik/Biomedical Engineering*:

First of all, we are extremely pleased to inform you that Professor Olaf Dössel, Institute of Biomedical Engineering/Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, University of Karlsruhe, Germany has accepted to act as Editor-in-Chief of *Biomedizinische Technik/Biomedical Engineering*. With Olaf Dössel we have again found a highly distinguished, internationally renowned scientist with whom we are very confident to further develop and advance the journal. We are very happy that Olaf Dössel has joined the Editor group and we look forward to working with him.

Olaf Dössel has taken over responsibility from Professor Armin Bolz since January 1, 2010; his initial term will cover 4 years of service. From 2001 to 2009, Armin Bolz served as Editor of *Biomedizinische Technik/Biomedical Engineering*. Starting off as Co-Editor, he took over the role of Editor-in-Chief from Professor Ulrich Boenick in 2006. Armin Bolz, with the strong support of the Associate Editor team, significantly advanced the journal by establishing a rigorous peer review system, broadening the scope and the variety of topics, and recruiting authors and reviewers from the international scientific community. Last year he decided to end his term as Editor to pursue new professional paths. We would like to express our sincere thanks to Armin Bolz for his long-term support of, and dedication to, the journal and wish him good luck in his new enterprises.

Professor Ralph Mueller, Associate Editor since 2007, also left the Editor group at the end of 2009 to fully dedicate

himself to new professional challenges and duties. We would like to very much thank Ralph Mueller for 3 years of excellent support and input, and we also wish him good luck with his future career.

On a different note, we are very pleased to announce that we have enhanced our cooperation with the German Society for Biomedical Engineering in VDE. One important result is that as of 2010, society members will receive all print issues of a volume of *Biomedizinische Technik/Biomedical Engineering*.

*Biomedizinische Technik/Biomedical Engineering* is on the move to setting up editorial changes. The most eminent one is the change to an English only publication in the course of 2010. With this change, we intend to increase the overall visibility of the journal and make it more appealing to an international author- and readership. Effective from January 15, 2010, all new manuscripts must be submitted in English. For accepted manuscripts of non-native English speakers, the publisher continues to offer a professional language editing service free of charge.

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