

Publisher's note

## A new start for *Science and Engineering of Composite Materials*

With this first issue of 2011 we are pleased to announce that the *Science and Engineering of Composite Materials* founded in the early 1990s by Freund Publishing House Ltd., Tel Aviv, Israel, was recently acquired by the publisher De Gruyter to expand its offerings in chemistry, materials science and engineering.

De Gruyter is an independent academic publishing house with a history spanning over 260 years. It has headquarters in Berlin and Boston and annually publishes over 800 new titles in the humanities, medicine, physical sciences and law and more than 170 journals and digital media. In the fields of chemistry and materials science we publish journals like *Reviews in Inorganic Chemistry*, *Inorganic Reaction Mechanisms*, *Main Group Metal Chemistry*, *Reviews in Analytical Chemistry*, *Heterocyclic Communications*, *Corrosion Reviews*, *Journal of Polymer Engineering*, *Reviews in Chemical Engineering*, *High Temperature Materials and Processes*, *Journal of Non-Equilibrium Thermodynamics* and *Holzforschung/Wood Science*.

The high quality of *Science and Engineering of Composite Materials* will continue to be developed at De Gruyter. The known publication rate of 4 issues per year will be maintained with a new larger format and updated layout. The upcoming introduction of an online manuscript submission and tracking system (Thomson Reuter's *ScholarOne*) and ahead of print online publication will increase the speed with which articles can be processed and published. Innovations include state-of-the-art hosting for online content on the platform Reference Global ([www.reference-global.com](http://www.reference-global.com)), free color figures in both print and online, active reference linking in the PDF articles of the online edition, forward linking and a variety of author services. De Gruyter will digitize all previous issues of the *Science and Engineering of Composite Materials* and make the journal archive accessible online.

The Editor-in-Chief, Professor Suong V. Hoa, Concordia University, Montreal, QC, Canada will continue to channel, guide and direct the editorial process. He will be supported by Dr. Gunda Stöber, the Managing Editor at De Gruyter.

The publisher De Gruyter is deeply committed to continuously increasing the scientific impact of *Science and Engineering of Composite Materials* in the coming years.

As readers and as authors we welcome your ideas and suggestions and encourage you to actively participate in making this journal a top address for scientific publishing in this field.



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