

Editorial

It gives me great pleasure to briefly introduce this second issue of Volume 10 of the *South Pacific Journal of Psychology*. We have just published Volume 1, which focused on the great linguistic diversity in our region, and assembled some wonderful contributions towards behavioural science in, and for, the South Pacific. Yet that issue also revealed how difficult or artificial it is to separate the South Pacific from the continent of Asia in general, and Southeast Asia in particular. That theme was reflected in the contents of issue 1, and it has clearly re-emerged in the contents of issue 2.

It is therefore fitting and timely for me to announce that SPJP is currently engaging in negotiations with the *Asian Psychologist*, and Plenum/Kluwer publishers, to create a new "super-journal" for the Asia-Pacific region. More on those exciting negotiations later! In the interim, I can officially announce that Volume 10 has been published in collaboration with both the University of Papua New Guinea and the Centre for Southeast Asian Studies (CSEAS), at Northern Territory University. We are delighted to become officially affiliated with the CSEAS, and look forward greatly to working with its Director, Dr. Ian Walters, in the years to come.

The astute reader will note that there have been some other changes, to our existing Editorial Board as well as to our list of Consultant Reviewers. Thanks to all of you for your great professionalism over the past year or more. This vote of thanks includes, of course, those of you who reviewed the proposal for our 1998 special issue.

With regard to departures from the Editorial Board, Professor Ronald Taft has recently retired, although he has kindly agreed to remain with us as a consultant reviewer. Ron's sterling service to the journal goes back to at least 1992, when he began formally serving on the Board. We look forward to maintaining our association and collaboration with him in the years to come.

New members to the Board include Nick Higginbotham and John Shea, who have agreed to develop a new section on Case Study methodology; John ("Jack") Schumaker and Ian Purcell, who have each rendered unstinting editing and review support over the past year or more; Max Coltheart, who was the senior editor on our ground-breaking first issue this year; and Professors Sarlito Sarwono and Pachongchit Intasuwan, who have contributed, and are contributing, to our ongoing research alliances in Southeast Asia.

Last but by no means least, I wish to say some words to Paul Watters, who took a leading role in facilitating the special issue, and has personally created our website. In July of 1998, this website was selected to receive a Links2Go Key Resource award among Psychology Journals. These awards are based on empirical analysis of web pages, including the fit between site layout and actual patterns of user behaviour. For more information, see: ([http://www.links2go.com/award/Psychology Journals](http://www.links2go.com/award/Psychology%20Journals)); also, *Internet Research* (1998), volume 8(3), 266-271.

Read on and Enjoy!

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