

EDITORIAL

This issue represents a time of celebration for the whole team that makes up the journal *Environmental Engineering: research and technology*. Major difficulties have been at this time about publishing. Not for lack of submissions, but for institutional causes, which we believe have already been overcome. We are finishing another year that also marks a cycle of quarterly publications. A time marked by ongoing research and motivation to publish texts that contribute greatly to debate and reflection around topics that articulate the issues related to development and the environment.

In the last three years (2010-2012) of publications we adopt a quarterly basis, given the large number of submissions that the journal has received. Submissions increase year to year and from this, and motivated, we will adopt a new schedule. We will be assuming in 2013 the bimonthly publications. More one challenge. We love challenges. And we have to both the partnership and the rear of our reviewers and submitter, besides the editorial board.

In this edition, the paper presents a number of topics that shape the diversity and range of environmental issues. The topics covered in the articles are: forest fragments in watersheds, methodology for mapping inundation areas, environmental education, the situation of empty containers of pesticides, soils and crops, soils and application of waste, soil and nutrient content, integrated management of solid waste, water quality for irrigation, and more.

The diversity of the articles presented here is an example of the importance of the contribution of national and foreign researchers, academic institutions, research centers and non-governmental organizations. The staff of the journal *Environmental Engineering: research and technology* celebrates with all employees, are authors, reviewers and readers, this proposed consolidation of production and dissemination of knowledge. Moreover, taking advantage of that is fulfilled in 2012 the 20th anniversary of the Rio-92 (Rio +20), we would also reaffirm our commitment to national and global environmental issues, not only as scientists but also as citizens.

Happy Hollidays and God reading!

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