

## **EDITORIAL**

The journal “Engenharia Ambiental: pesquisa e tecnologia” begins the year of 2009 demonstrating his national range, through the edition of twenty five articles published by teachers, researchers, graduate and undergraduate students representing the following institutions: Empresa de Assistência Técnica e Extensão Rural da Paraíba (EMATER/PB); Faculdade de Tecnologia de Indaiatuba (FATEC-ID); Universidade Federal de Campina Grande (UFCG); Centro Federal de Educação Tecnológica do Mato Grosso (CEFET-MT); Universidade Federal de Pernambuco (UFPE); Universidade Federal do Ceará (UFC); Universidade Federal do Mato Grosso (UFMT); Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte (UFRN); Escola Agrotécnica Federal de Araguatins (EAFA); Empresa Estadual de Pesquisa Agropecuária da Paraíba (EMEPA-PB); Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas Espaciais (CPTEC/INPE); Universidade Federal da Paraíba (UFPB); Empresa de Pesquisa Agropecuária Brasileira (EMBRAPA); Universidade Estadual da Paraíba (UEPB); Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Paraná (UTFPR); Universidade Estadual do Oeste do Paraná (UNIOESTE); Centro Universitário da Fundação de Ensino Octávio Bastos (UNIFEOB); Universidade Estadual Paulista (UNESP); Faculdade Municipal Professor Franco Montoro (FMPFM) – SP.

An important event of this publication is the consolidation of the Universidade Federal de Campina Grande (UFCG) like the institution with more articles published in the history of this journal, reaching the expressive mark of forty five works, or 35 % of the whole production already published.

The articles published in this issue reinforce the mission of the journal “Engenharia Ambiental: pesquisa e tecnologia” as a vehicle for multidisciplinary themes in environmental engineering in the national context. We thank all the researchers and professionals who published their articles in this issue, and take the opportunity to invite, once again, the entire environmental community to use this periodical as an instrument to disseminate their work.

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