

EDITORIAL

Dear readers

I am pleased to introduce you to the third issue of IJLTR. IJLTR publishes two issues per volume; however, this is the third issue of the first volume since this is a Special Issue rather than a regular issue. This Special Issue of IJLTR is devoted to the Proceedings of the *International Conference on Current Trends in ELT*, which was organized by the Department of English Language and Literature of Urmia University (Iran) between 20 and 22 May 2013. Following this very successful conference as evidenced by presenters and participants there (see the last paper in the issue for more information), a Call for Papers was issued for the publication of papers presented at the Conference. Most papers presented at the Conference were submitted to a parallel publication by *Procedia Social and Behavioural Sciences* (to appear in 2014) and some of the quality papers, mainly by the plenary speakers, were submitted to be published in IJLTR.

This Special Issue of IJLTR features papers by Rod Ellis, Jack C Richards, Behrooz Azabdaftari, Michael Byram, Anne Swan, Gene Vosipolous as well as the editors of the Journal. To follow suit, this issue also includes two book reviews. A special feature of this issue is an interview with Professors Jack C Richards and Rod Ellis, which was conducted during their presence at Urmia Conference. This is my opportunity to sincerely thank all and anybody who contributed in a way or another to the great accomplishment of Urmia University by holding this International Conference. Special thanks go to Conference Executive Chair (Sima Modirkhameneh), all members of the organizing committee and in particular the teaching staff of the English Department of Urmia University, plenary speakers, reviewers, international scientific members, presenters, sponsors, university authorities as well as all attendants. No doubt, there would have been no such an issue had this conference not been so efficiently organized.

In the end, I remain confident that our readers will enjoy the great papers assembled into this issue and will make their own contributions to the field by submitting their quality papers for future issues of the Journal.

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