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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

From the Editor-in-Chief:

Dear Readers,

The International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS) is upon us. As it is customary for the MIS Quarterly Executive, we will have our editorial board meeting. The most relevant outcome of the meeting for readers and contributors is the theme for the 2024 special issue – stay tuned, if history is any indication, it will be another timely and relevant topic. At *ICIS* we also hold the *MISQ Executive* pre-*ICIS* workshop, in preparation of the December 2023 special issue. I look forward to participating in what promises to be a great program focusing on “Boards of Directors and the Governance of Digital Technology.” My thank you go to the organizers, Joe Peppard, Blaize Horner Reich, and Martin Mocker.

A special issue is being currently planned, a second one is in full swing with the pre-*ICIS* workshop, and a third one is closing. This December 2022 issue of *MISQE* is devoted to the articles from the special issue on “Crisis-Driven Digital Transformation.” Paul M. Di Gangi, Vess L. Johnson, and Hope Koch are the guest editors. On behalf of the journal, my sincere thanks go to them for working tirelessly, from the pre-*ICIS* workshop through to production, to make the issue an informative, cohesive and engaging set of contributions for our readers. I defer to the guest editors' own editorial to introduce the papers.

Now that the MIS Quarterly Executive is an AIS journal, editor-in-chief terms are 3-year. I was asked to delay the transition during the pandemic, and my tenure was extended by one year. So here we are, at the end of 4 years in which we championed practice-oriented information systems research. There were challenges and there were many successes. The journal improved its impact, and two papers received the AIS Senior Scholars Best Information Systems Publication Award. It has been a pleasure and an honor serving as editor-in-chief of MIS Quarterly Executive. I wish to thank the many senior editors that have served the journal during my term,

the reviewers who have selflessly volunteered their time to improve the papers, and of course the authors without whom the journal could not exist. My thanks also go to the AIS office and Matt Nelson for their support. A special thank you to the managing editor, Joaquin Rodriguez, who kept the trains running on time behind the scenes, to our indefatigable production editor David Seabrook, the keeper of the *MISQE* style and its distinctive voice, and to Mary Lacity, who was always available with advice, suggestions, encouragement and ideas.

I am very pleased to pass the editor-in-chief baton to Iris Junglas. A member of the editorial board since 2012 and a Senior Editor since 2019, Iris has authored 6 *MISQE* articles over the years. She has served as senior editor on numerous papers and was a senior editor for two special issues. One of her *MISQE* papers was a winner of the 2017 AIS Senior Scholars Best Information Systems Publication Award. Iris' deep knowledge of the journal, creativity and enthusiasm will make her a great advocate for practice-oriented research and for the journal.

In this Issue

In addition to the special issue papers, we are also publishing a preview of the annual SIM IT Trends Study results. Prepared by Vess Johnson, Russell Torres, Chris Maurer, Smriti Srivastava, Katia Guerra, Hossein Mohit, the preview provides a succinct overview of what to expect in the full results that will be published in the March 2023 issue.

Read on!

Gabriele Piccoli
Editor-in-Chief