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## **Editorial**

## An outstanding journal for transformational transdisciplinary research

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ICAE achieved this extraordinary status thanks to its indefatigable, far-sighted, and ingenious founding Editor-in-Chief, Professor Hojjat Adeli and his meticulous and rigorous editorial work on each submission. First, the prospective authors are requested to submit an overview on the techniques in the same field of the submitted manuscript to verify their awareness of the latest developments and leaders in the field. Authors will be asked to indicate that the submission is ready to be considered by the journal by checking off all the items regarding ethical requirements for the authors such as originality and exclusiveness of the submission, acknowledgment of authorship and sources, and absence of plagiarism and conflict of interest. The journal requires each author to submit a Similarity Report using a similarity checking or plagiarism software. The similarity to any other archival source is required to be less than 1%.

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To sum up, the uniqueness and qualities of ICAE include its transdisciplinary nature, the very high selection criteria, short review time and production cycle, and a most-dedicated and remarkable Editor-in-Chief who is the author of many pioneering and transdisciplinary research articles and high-technology books. It is certain that ICAE will continue to be a leading forum for cross-disciplinary research in the domains such as Artificial Intelligence, Computer Science, and Engineering. Happy 30th to ICAE, and let us continue this tradition of excellence into the next decade.

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