

Words from the Creator of the AHP

Let me take this occasion to wish this journal and its contributors my very best. It is a joyful occasion to have our own journal for decision making with the AHP/ANP. We have a brilliant, dedicated and responsible editor-in-chief in Enrique Mu. We also have a sizeable community of scholars and users who can enjoy the diversity of theory, applications and practical ideas that will appear here and will advance the cause of decision making. I want to express my thanks to Enrique and to Senior Editor Luis Vargas and to Managing Editor Rozann Saaty, my wife, and to all of you who actually do the work.

I feel personally proud to have received the IMPACT prize for “seminal work on the Analytic Hierarchy Process, and for its deployment and extraordinary impact” from the INFORMS Society in 2008. The recognition that led to the award came from the many applications and involvement of other people which created the impact over the past 30 years. This field would not be where it is if it were not for the efforts of all of us.

Over the coming years I will be looking forward to enjoying reading the contributions from our growing community. We must not be too theoretical and lose touch with reality, nor too practical to lose the rigor and beauty of theory and inventive ideas.

I wish every reader and every contributor the very best in creating this journal and contributing to its growth and widespread recognition.

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