

## Letter from the Editor-in-chief

Dear Readers,

It has been a pleasure to serve as Editor-in-chief of Explorations for the last two years. I have learnt a lot from the special issues and other articles, and hope you enjoyed reading Explorations as much as I did. I would like to thank the Associate Editors, Bing Liu and Osmar Zaiane, for their key role in the success of Explorations.

I am happy to announce that starting with the June 2008 issue, Osmar Zaiane will be taking over as Editor-In-Chief, with Charu Aggarwal and Bart Goethal as Associate Editors. I look forward to Explorations becoming even more central to the KDD community under Osmar's leadership.

### **This Issue**

We start with a special issue on Visual Analytics: Guest editors Daniel Keim and Joern Schneidewind have compiled a compelling collection of articles on using visual representations to allow people to directly interact with information, to gain insight, and to ultimately make better decisions. In our interview series, Gregory Piatetsky-Shapiro brings us key insights from Jon Kleinberg. Finally, we bring you highlights from KDD 2007, including articles by the organizers and winners of the KDD Cup, and workshop summaries.

Best Regards,

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