

**:: Editorial:****Introducing CITRENZ JACIT Issue 18**

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**1. Introduction (Special edition)**

Welcome to the Issue 18(1) our special 2014 edition of JACIT. JACIT's mission is to present research papers that have a New Zealand link and this issue represents a collaboration between the Institute of IT Professionals, New Zealand (<http://www.iitp.org.nz/>) and CITRENZ. Thanks must go to Alison and Tony Clear who have taken on the role as guest editors and managed this edition. Please read their guest editorial for a background to this special edition.

**2. Progressive Edition**

In 2010 the Journal of Applied Computing and Information Technology (JACIT) and Bulletin (BACIT) publications merged, and a progressive publishing model was adopted, where papers are published as soon as they are ready, rather than releasing a completed edition, so it is possible for a paper to reach publishing status within a few months of submission. In keeping with the progressive model some portions of the edition will need to be updated to reflect additional papers as they are added. This editorial will be updated to reflect the changes, as will the list of reviewers. The in progress edition will be closed at the end of each year.

If you would like to submit a paper to JACIT Please check out <http://www.citrenz.ac.nz/jacit/about.html> for further information. The Journal is the flag-ship publication of CITRENZ, which is made up of tertiary educationalists in New Zealand. The Journal is primarily designed as a vehicle to publish Applied Computing papers principally from New Zealand, but international papers are considered that would be of interest to our readers, particularly if related to education or cite New Zealand based research or researchers. .

Many people are involved in the process of creating the Journal, the editorial team, authors, reviewers and mentors. All are volunteers and my thanks to them for their time and in some cases their willingness to act as mentors. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes to make an edition happen and my thanks must go to the editorial team for their perseverance. A special mention and thanks needs to be made to: Donald Joyce as Senior Associate Editor; Nick Wallingford as Web editor; William Hannon for technical support; and EIT Hawkes Bay for hosting the site.

Finally, thanks must also go to the authors who have been willing to develop and present their research in JACIT and the reviewers who have generously donated their

time to evaluate the submissions and provide constructive feedback and guidance to the authors.

If you have a paper that you think would be suitable, we welcome submissions and indeed if all goes well your paper could appear in the progressive edition.

### **3. This Edition**

Please refer to Alison and Tony Clear's editorial.

### **4. Finally**

*Just a reminder, if you are an author of past JACIT papers, and have electronic copies of your papers and we have not yet put them on the site, we would be really grateful if they could be sent to us, as many papers are not available in an electronic format.*

As usual we welcome comments, contributions, and expressions of interest to review papers, for this and future issues. My thanks to the editors, reviewers, and authors, for making this issue possible, and hope you will enjoy reading JACIT 18(1) as it unfolds!

Michael Verhaart, *Executive Editor*

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