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## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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**F**irst of all I would like to wish **"Very Happy and Prosperous New Year-2016"** to all our authors, Subscribers, Editorial Board Members, Reviewers and Web Manager Mr. Shridhar. It gives me great pleasure to bring out the 1<sup>st</sup> issue of the **International Journal of Microwave and Optical Technology (IJMOT)** for the year 2016. This first issue of year 2016 consists of interesting papers in the areas of: circuit model of split ring resonators, SIW bandpass filter, UWB Vivaldi antenna for medical imaging, quasi-TEM coax couplers with square inner conductors, patch antenna array with DGS, antenna side lobe reduction by Binomial method, stair case shaped monopole dual band antenna, antenna for cognitive radio front ends, miniature microstrip LPF, stopband filter based on split ring resonators and design of WDM - UWB optical wireless communication system.

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The preparations for ISMOT-2017 in South Korea under the leadership of Prof. Wee Sang Park of Pohang University of Science & Technology are underway. Further details about ISMOT-2017 will be published in the following issues of IJMOT

I am very pleased to inform our authors/subscribers that IJMOT is now indexed by SCOPUS, Google, EBSCO, ISI, Elsevier and Media Finder. We are contacting other indexing agencies also in this regard.

I would like to thank all the editorial board members, reviewers and subscribers for their continued help and support for IJMOT without their support it is not possible to publish the journal in a timely manner. Our special thanks to Web Manager Mr. Shridhar for doing excellent job by publishing all the issues in time.

Banmali S. Rawat

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