



## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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It gives me great pleasure to bring out the fifth issue of the **International Journal of Microwave and Optical Technology (IJMOT)** for the year 2011. This issue contains good mixture of papers in microwave area including various types of microstrip antennas, microstrip to waveguide transition, low noise amplifier and optical microwave photonics.

As you all know that for over one year I have been requesting all the authors to contribute voluntary page charges as much as possible otherwise we will be forced to collect compulsory publication charges. Unfortunately we have reached to that situation as most of the authors did not come forward voluntarily. With very careful consideration we have decided to collect compulsory publication charges from the authors starting January 2012 issue. At this stage we have decided to collect flat fee \$150 per published paper up to 8 pages. For additional pages beyond 8 pages we would charge \$50 per page. Once the paper is accepted for publication, the authors would be asked to pay publication/page charges as per invoice before the paper is published. If the page charges are not paid until the date of next issue, the paper would be returned to the authors and would be removed from IJMOT data base. However, in order to help the authors, we have also decided that if the authors' organization/university/institution is an annual subscriber of IJMOT during that period, the publication fee up to 8 pages would be waived off. It means, if the authors would like to have publication fee waived off (up to 8 pages), they should request their organization/university/institution to subscribe IJMOT without any delay.

In the last issue of IJMOT I had informed you about the successful organization of **13<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Microwave and Optical Technology (ISMOT-2011) in Prague, Czech Republic from June 20-23, 2011**. At present we are in the process of selecting 40-50 high quality papers presented in the ISMOT to be published as full length paper in November 2011 issue of IJMOT. You can also present your papers in the ISMOT conferences and get published in IJMOT as a full length paper if selected by the technical program committee. All these papers also go through normal review process before being finally accepted for publication. **Future ISMOTs are tentatively scheduled as: ISMOT-2013, December 16-19, 2013- Singapore, ISMOT-2015- Guadalajara, Mexico and ISMOT-2017 – Dresden, Germany.** We hope to see many of you participating in future ISMOT conferences.

My special thanks to our web manager Mr. Syam Challa for his continued efforts for improving the IJMOT website and helping in the publication of every issue since 2007.

**Banmali S. Rawat**

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