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Editorial

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Although numerous research findings have been made by researchers in academic institutions and research institutes, particularly in developing countries, unfortunately, dissemination of these information in print seems to be a challenge since some investigators are ignorant of the relevant publishing outlets, are often scared of high page charges, and are sometimes disturbed by excessive manuscript delays for review and possible publication. Fortunately, *IJEST* is endowed with prestigious, knowledgeable, experienced and highly committed specialist members of the editorial board and reviewers in the various fields of engineering, science and technology who provide timely, valuable constructive criticisms and information to authors for the improvement of their manuscripts and subsequent publication in *IJEST*. Thus, *IJEST* is enthusiastic in establishing a benchmark in engineering, science and technology research and in providing the widest possible dissemination of research findings. *IJEST* is deemed for success globally and will achieve this through the commitment of its stakeholders - Members of the Board, Reviewers, Authors, Editorial Assistants and the Readers of the journal. It is hoped that through the manuscripts received, reviewed, revised and finally published, potential authors will draw inspiration from the various issues of the journal and send their works to us for possible publication.

A condition for a scientific journal to be included in ISI index relates to the achievement of a threshold level of number of citations in the international scientific literature. Our authors and others are therefore urged to cite articles published in *IJEST* whenever they publish in an ISI-indexed journal; we hope to be ISI-indexed in the near future. The Editor is grateful to all the Board Members and Reviewers that have invested a tremendous commitment of time and energy; without their assistance it would not be possible to publish a refereed journal such as *IJEST*. We have included the names of the Editorial Board Members and Reviewers in the "List of Editorial Board Members and Reviewers". If we have omitted anyone as oversight, please accept our apologies.

S.A. Oke Editor 21 July 2009