

A letter from the Editor

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Four papers are published in the first issue of the Journal in 2022. The first research paper deals with packaging visual design, and the second investigates microbial purity of recycled fibres retrieved from printed paper and coated paperboard. The third one is a review paper on printing methods used for producing metallic embellishments, with a main focus on metal effect pigments. The last one in the current issue is a research paper from the media field, presenting the comprehensive study of immersive journalism based on the Samsung VR platform available between 2015 and 2020. Again, the interdisciplinary character of the Journal is confirmed by the papers from different fields, which are all within the scope and of interest to our readers.

In the Topicalities, edited by Markéta Držková (marketa.drzkova@jpmtr.org) an overview of recent patents in multi-material 3D printing is available as the main topic, complemented with some news on the 2022 Flexographic Technical Association awards, new fire-resistant paper-based materials, and updated Interoperability Conformance Specifications for colour management.

In the Bookshelf an overview of books is presented, covering additive manufacturing / 3D printing technologies, printed electronics / functional printing, typography, graphic communication, and some more general fields like guide-books on planning and executing experiments, computer graphics, and machine learning.

Among academic dissertations, three doctoral theses are presented. Andrej Iskra defended his thesis on the method for analysis of facial images using an eye-tracking system at the University of Ljubljana. The second thesis is on Perovskite solar cells with printed functional layers, defended by Matej Hvojník at the Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava. Timo Hartus defended his thesis on thermal studies of ink solvent and toner behaviour on coated paper, at Aalto University.

In the Events section, an overview of conferences, congresses and symposia in the near future is presented. A number of events will be available again for in-person attendance because the situation affected by Covid-19 pandemia is better, however, the list is still shorter than in the previous period.

With the present issue, some changes in the editorial team are introduced. Since 2012 when the Journal was launched, only some minor alterations were done. The decision for current changes was discussed for some time by the Board of [iarigai](#), the publisher, and by the members of the Editorial Board of the Journal, however, the present decision was challenging and we are convinced it is not a final one. As it is well known, the changes are the only constant in our life, and without changes, there is no progress.

On this occasion, on behalf of the publisher and the Editorial Board, I would like to thank all those who have so far contributed to the successful editing and regular publication of the Journal with their work, contributions, influence, advice, and encouragement. Among them are Renke Wilken, Darko Agić, Wolfgang Faigle, Ulrike Herzau Gerhardt, Marie Kaplanová, John Kettle, Patrice Mangin, Anu Seisto, Johan Stenberg and Philipp Urban. The newly appointed members of the Editorial Board and the Scientific Advisory Board have also proven their professionalism and active cooperation with the editorial team in the past years, so we are convinced they will contribute to the successful development of the Journal in the future.

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