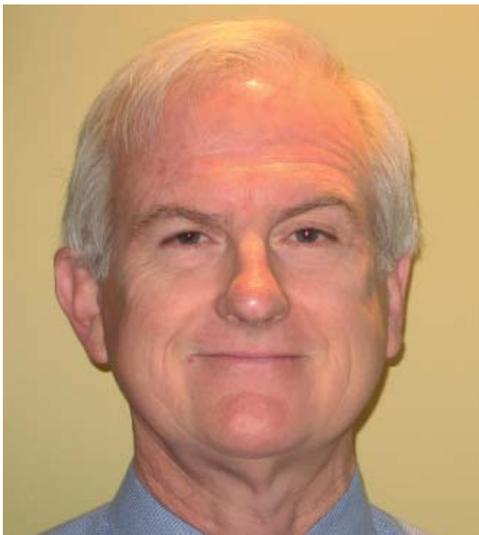


Editorial



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Welcome to the second edition of The Australasian Journal of Construction Economics and Building (AJCEB) for 2009. Bond University, and in particular the Mirvac School of Sustainable Development, is delighted to be the host of this journal this year. Volume 9 Issue 2 consists of six papers covering a range of topics applicable to both quantity surveying and building disciplines. We think they are of a high standard, and trust you enjoy reading them.

We would like to particularly thank the numerous people who have kindly donated their time to review papers and to provide us with their advice and experience. Without such goodwill no journal can survive.

AJCEB has a number of opportunities available to expand its influence and its reputation, and these matters are currently under consideration by the Management Committee. Many of these opportunities are expected to be realised in 2010 and announcements about them will be communicated through the professional bodies that support the journal and other channels such as CNBR.

During 2009 we received 39 new papers for consideration. Twelve of these have been published and several are awaiting publication in the new year. They relate to an increasingly international spread of countries and research data. While five papers are still under consideration, we have rejected 16 papers so far this year, equating to 47%. All papers are reviewed by at least three referees, and in some cases four where particular technical advice is sought. Every paper published has required some revision, with several having undergone extensive rewriting, and the process being applied appears to be leading to stronger outcomes for the journal. This is expected to continue into the future.

We would also like to advise that the authors for Paper 3 (Allocating Risks in Public-Private Partnerships using a Transaction Cost Economics Approach: A case study) in Volume 9 Issue 1 should have been **Xiaohua Jin** and **Kerry London** (School of Architecture and Building, Deakin University, Australia).

The editors wish you a Merry Christmas and we look forward to a prosperous new year for all our readers.

Kind regards,

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