Editor’s Column

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In any moment of decision, the best thing you can do is the right thing, the next best thing is the wrong thing, and the worst thing you can do is nothing.

*Theodore Roosevelt*

Editorial Letter

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WHEN I was offered an opportunity to act as an Editor-in-Chief of the Electronics journal, I knew it would be a challenging task and, honestly, I hesitated to accept such a high-responsibility role in the early stage of my academic career. Obviously, my biggest concern was whether I would be able to quickly grasp the whole process and do the things in a right way. However, some decisions, no matter how hard they may look to us and how much effort they might require from us, should not be made so that our own comfort zone stays untouched. Therefore, I decided to make a step out of the comfort zone and do the things, in a right or wrong way, leaving time to witness whether this decision was the good or bad one in honest believe that doing nothing is certainly the worst thing I can do under the given circumstances.

This decision was strongly supported by the current team of the Electronics journal, our Managing Editors, Aleksandar Pajkanovic and Mitar Simic, who selflessly devoted a significant amount of their available time for maintaining and even improving the publication process of the journal. One of the major improvements is certainly the introduction of web-based manuscript submission tracking system. It did not only enable better control over the whole review process, but also helped us to better understand and adequately address the issues related to the delays in reaching the first decision regarding the paper status. In the following years, we will continue to improve the technical aspects of the journal aiming at increasing its scope and global recognition.

The current state of the journal, in terms of the publication metrics, is improved. Both CiteScore and SJR of the journal in 2017 has been increased to 0.68 and 0.12, respectively. The value of CiteScore has reached its maximum since the journal is covered by Scopus, whereas SJR experience the growing trend after a small drop in 2016. We can promise that we will do our best to maintain this progress and keep the positive trend of the journal.

The current issue contains papers that belong to a special issue devoted to advances in power electronics and Internet of Things. The special issue has been managed and edited by Akhtar Kalam, Anand R, and G. R. Kanagachidambaresan, whom I would like to thank for making a significant effort during the review and paper selection process.

I thank Aleksandar and Mitar for assisting me during the first months of my work as Editor-in-Chief of the journal. They really did a great job in terms of communication with the authors and setting up the online submission system. Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to the past Editor-in-Chief, Prof. Branko Dokic, for giving me the opportunity to become a part of this great project. I sincerely hope I will not fail the expectations.