

# Welcome

## **Welcome to the new revamped *Journal of Contemporary Issues in Business and Government***

Regular readers will note that the *Journal* has a new look, new cover, new benefactor (Swinburne University of Technology) and a new Editorial Board. The *Journal* has, for the last 12 months, undergone a change of management from Curtin University of Technology in Western Australia to Swinburne University of Technology in Melbourne, Australia. This transition was facilitated by the generous and thoughtful actions of the previous Chief Editor, Professor Guy Callender, who wanted to ensure the journal continued as he enters a new phase in his career. We at Swinburne are honoured to have been asked by Professor Callender to maintain the philosophy and traditions of the journal and we take this opportunity to acknowledge his efforts sustaining the journal, which he has faithfully published twice a year for 18 years. Under his editorship the journal has been recognised in the Excellence in Research in Australia (ERA) listing. The move across to Swinburne was undertaken by Curtin University professionally with Professor Callender ensuring that the continuation of the *Journal* and its reputation was uppermost in the process. The new editorial board will seek to ensure that this legacy continues.

After one year of preparations and restructure we are proud to release this new issue and to introduce readers to the new management structure. The *Journal* will have its own website and systems for article submission. It has a new cover and look and will seek to publish contemporary special issues as well as the traditional format. The Editorial board will ensure that the *Journal* will continue to be published twice a year and possibly, in the future, it may move to become an Open Access journal which scholars and researchers can access online. Part of the new editorial structure is guided by the Editor-in-Chief Professor Barry O'Mahony, a specialist in tourism and hospitality marketing. He is ably flanked by other distinguished academics in editorial support who are experts themselves across a range of business disciplines. These include Professor Nita Cherry, Professor Santina Bertone, Dr. Christopher Baker, Dr. Chris Mason, Dr. Alexis Esposto, Dr. Grainne Oates and Dr. Subhash Abhayawansa. This new editorial team will seek to maintain the excellent legacy of the past but also bring a fresh and new perspective to the journal which we hope our readers will appreciate.

We look forward to years of academic engagement with our readers and scholars across the many disciplines in business and government and encourage each of you to spread the word about this exciting, revamped *Journal of Contemporary Issues in Business and Government*.

Associate Professor Bruno Mascitelli

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