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## SUMMARY REPORT FOR 2010

Last year after two years of leading impact factors among the five earthquake engineering journals (Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics, Bulletin of Earthquake Engineering, Earthquake Spectra, Soil Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering, Journal of Earthquake Engineering), I wrote *"I am completely aware that this may not happen again, but I hope we will be able to increase our impact factor also for 2009"*. Actually for 2009 we ranked fourth after the Soil Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering with a very minor difference. However, our impact factor has increased from 1.271 to 1.339.

It is sometimes difficult to accept that eight years has passed since the publication of BEE started in 2003. This would not have been possible without the contributions of the distinguished BEE Editorial Board, distinguished authors of the published manuscripts and the competent and dedicated reviewers.

As of January 2011, there has been some changes in the BEE Editorial Board, we would like to welcome Prof. Dina D'Ayala, Prof. Mihail Garevski, Prof. Andreas Kappos, Prof. Marco Mucciarelli, Prof. Roberto Paolucci, Dr. Dario Slejko, and Prof. Erdal Şafak to BEE Editorial Board and at the same time we would like to express our thanks and gratitude to those who are retiring from the BEE Editorial Board, Prof. Panayotis Carydis, Prof. Jacob Eisenberg, Dr. Alessandro Martelli, Dr. Farrokh Nadim, Prof. Pedro Seco e Pinto, Prof. Avigdor Rutenberg, and Prof. Roy Severn.

I would like to express my gratitude to all authors who are really the main contributors to this process and to all the Members of the Editorial Board for all their support as reviewers, authors and Guest Editors. I would also like to thank all reviewers for their very important input in this process. And of course I would like to express our gratitude and thanks to Springer and to Petra D. van Steenberg, Senior Publishing Editor of Earth Sciences for their continuous support and encouragement.

During these eight years the number of submitted manuscripts have increased continuously from 26 in 2003 and in 2004, to 38 in 2005, to 51 in 2006, 65 in 2007, 107 in 2008, 126 in 2009, and 150 in 2010. The number of submitted manuscripts with respect to 2009 increased approximately 19% indicating the steadily increasing popularity of BEE.

With respect to printed manuscripts; the first BEE volume in 2003 had 16 articles, the second volume in 2004 had 15 articles, and the third volume in 2005 had 12 articles. Due to the increase in the number of issues to four, the fourth volume in 2006 had 25 articles, the fifth volume in 2007 had 27 articles and the sixth volume in 2008 had 34 articles, and the seventh volume in 2009 had 33 articles. In 2010 we started to publish 6 issues and the number of published articles increased to 77 and to the total of 1600 pages.

The first issue of Volume 9 is already in print. It is a Special Issue on "L'Aquila earthquake: Seismic sequence of 6th April 2009, Abruzzo, Italy" with Guest Editors; Dina D'Ayala and Mauro Dolce and it contains 15 articles including the Guest Editorial.

There were two new special issue proposals during the past year and with the one from previous year. The total of 3 special issues are in line for publication:

- Old Masonry Under Seismic Loading; Guest Editors: Carlos S. Oliveira and Anibal Costa (Out of the 13 manuscripts submitted 9 are under review and 4 is already available online).
- The L'Aquila earthquake – A view of site effects and structural behaviour from temporary networks; Guest Editors: Marco Mucciarelli, Giovanna Cultrera, and Stefano Parolai (Out of the proposed 10 manuscripts, 9 were submitted and under review)
- The Italian strong motion database ITACA: implementation, available information and related research activities; Guest Editors: Roberto Paolucci, Francesca Pacor, and Mauro Dolce (Out of the proposed 16 manuscripts, 13 were submitted and under review)

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