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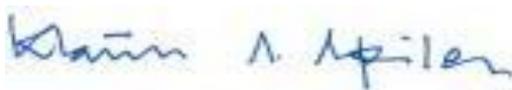
The third issue of JISIB marks the journal's first anniversary. Again we are delighted to welcome contributions by academics from all over the world, from so many different backgrounds. We also delighted to have contributions from a large number of female authors. This together shows, we believe, that the field of intelligence studies has a truly global reach.

Most contributions continue to come from best papers from a number of conferences related to Intelligence Studies. For the articles in this issue we would like to thank in particular our American Editor, Prof. G. Scott Erickson. Four out of six articles this time come from ECKM 2012, which was held 6-7 September in Cartagena, Spain. Track co-chairs for the Mini Track on Competitive Intelligence and KM was G. Scott Erickson, Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY and Helen N. Rothberg, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, New York.

The article by Brigitte Gay shows how graphs can be used to illustrate and understand relations between organizations and companies. It illustrates well the degree to which the field of Competitive Intelligence relies heavily today on the development of new software. The article by Scott Ericson and Helen Rothberg clarifies much around the importance of knowledge assets and the study of Knowledge Management with that of Competitive Intelligence. Few have done more to understand this area than these two authors. Their findings have also been published in a new book this year, "Intelligence in action" (Palgrave Macmillan). The contribution by Jihene Chebbi Ghannay and Zeineb Ben Ammar Mamlouk Zeineb is a literature review that shows the same interdependence between CI and KM. The article by Olivier Mamavi shows what you can do with graphs to identify and understand networks for problems containing big data, in this case companies who have obtained French procurement contracts. The article by Gabriela López, Steve Eldridge, Salomón Montejano and Patricia Silva shows how to improve supply chain knowledge by a continuous evaluation and contextualization of a company's own practices. The last article by Mattias Nyblom, Jenny Behrami, Tung Nikkilä and Klaus Solberg Søylen is an investigation into what kind of Business Intelligence software is used by SMEs, why, and how companies evaluate their systems. As such its aim is to narrow a gap between theory and practice.

On behalf of the Editorial Board,

Sincerely Yours,



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