

FOREWORD

With the publication of this first issue of Volume 22 (2002), on behalf of the Editorial Board and secretariat of *Insect Science and Its Application*, I want to thank sincerely all the contributors to the journal. We have seen a marked rise in quality of articles received, and enjoyed maximum cooperation from authors in meeting publication deadlines. Very special tribute also goes to our reviewers, for their willingness shown in reviewing manuscripts, and the exceptionally high quality of objective reviews provided in a timely fashion.

Authors, subscribers and reviewers will be pleased to note that the journal's Web page within the ICIPE Web site has now been developed, thanks to a UNESCO grant received in 2001. The page is found at <http://www.icipe.org/isa/isa.html> and contains frequently sought information about the journal, viz. general background, Editorial Board composition, Tables of Contents, subscription rates and order form and Instructions to Authors. The journal continues to be available as full text at the Bioline Web site, <http://www.bioline.org.br/ti>, and as Tables of Contents and abstracts at the African Journals On-line (AJOL) Web site of INASP—The International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications (<http://www.inasp.info/ajol/>). An announcement from AJOL is published in this issue.

As part of our continuing efforts to improve the scientific quality of the journal, ISA is recruiting two additional Associate Editors in 2002, to bring to three the total number of Associate Editors. In this regard, I am pleased to inform you that Professor Ahmed Hassanali, Head of the Behavioural and Chemical Ecology Department at ICIPE, has been nominated and accepted to join the team of ISA Associate Editors starting in June 2002. In addition to his widely recognised research and publications record, Prof. Hassanali is an Editorial Advisory Board member of the *Journal of Chemical Ecology*, and will bring with him valuable experience in journal publishing to ISA. Dr William Overholt has also kindly agreed to continue as Associate Editor from his new base at the University of Florida, USA. His areas of expertise (biological control, population dynamics, insect behaviour) and Prof. Hassanali's experience in chemical ecology of tsetse, ticks and mosquitoes, natural products chemistry, insect behaviour and locust phase dynamics are complementary. A third Associate Editor is being identified, and will be announced in a future issue.

ISA is also in the process of revamping the Editorial Advisory Board to reflect a broader geographic and disciplinary coverage. Several new members have been invited to join the Board, and the new EAB will be published in a forthcoming issue.

Discussions between ICIPE and the African Association of Insect Scientists (AAIS), co-founder of ISA 22 years ago, have culminated in the recent signing of a Memorandum of Understanding expressing renewed commitment by the two bodies in supporting the journal. The slightly revised cover design featuring the AAIS and ICIPE logos, and the installation of Dr Ousmane Youm, President of the AAIS to the ISA Editorial Advisory Board, reflect this newly revitalised partnership.



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