Editorial

Dear colleagues and readers of our journal,

Thank you for your collaboration in 2011, during which four other issues of "Consensed Matter Physics" were published. You are welcome to submit manuscripts covering research in various areas of Condensed and Soft Matter Physics with the special priority given to review papers in fast developing topics.

This year the impact factor of "Condensed Matter Physics" has risen to 0.8 for the first time. We see this as a cooperative achievement as far as our small scale journal is published by a scientific institution rather than by a publishing house. We hope to progress in this area in the years that follow.

In 2011 we introduced an open-access publishing model, the integral part of which are the uploading of the article metadata to the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ Content) and submission of all the papers to arXiv server of preprints. We believe that in that way a wider set of search engines will be involved and, as a result, a wider audience will be introduced to the papers published in "Condensed Matter Physics".

As usual, we plan four issues for 2012. Two of them are special issues, one will contain proceedings of the 4th Conference on Statistical Physics: Modern Trends and Applications (July 5–6, 2012, Lviv). Another will be devoted to the 60th birthday of Dr. Orest Pizio (Universidad Nacional Autonoma de México, México).

We also plan to introduce in 2012 an open source journal management system aimed at simplifying the on-line submitting/refereeing/proofreading of manuscripts for the authors and for our staff.

We hope for continuation of our collaboration this year and wish sizeable scientific achievements to all of you.

Your editorial team