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In 2011 we will hold the Seventh International Strategic Management Conference in Paris, France, between the dates of June 30-July 2, 2011, at the Millennium Hotel Paris Opera. In 2010 the conference took place in St. Petersburg, Russia, where 160 papers were presented from 33 different countries. We are expecting this number to grow larger in 2011.

I would like to invite our readers to the Seventh International Strategic Management Conference. The papers presented at the Seventh International Strategic Management will be offered opportunities for publication in the Journal. We are especially interested in submissions to both the Seventh International Strategic Management Conference and the Journal for applied research studies as well as theoretical contributions. As a final note regarding the Journal, I would like to add that submissions are reviewed by two referees, and the review process usually takes around six months. Manuscript guidelines may be accessed through the Journal's Web site of www.isma.info.

As the Chairman of the Conference and Editor-in-Chief of the Journal, I would like to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation to the editors of the Journal, members of the Conference Organizing Committee, our referees, our regional coordinators in various parts of the world, and our readers. All of you have our best wishes for a happy and healthy New Year.

**Erol Eren**, Ph.D. Editor-in Chief

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