

## GENERAL FOREWORD

This issue of the Journal of the International Institute for Terminological Research consists of two parts.

The first 6 contributions have been submitted to the editorial board during the past couple of years and do not as such have a specific theme in common. We regret that it has taken some time before they could finally be published.

The last 6 contributions form part of the proceedings of the colloquium *Comparison of the theoretical foundations of terminology in Eastern Europe and the Western countries*, held in Surrey in August 2003 in conjunction with the 14th European Symposium on Language for Special Purposes 'Communication, Culture, Knowledge'. Heribert Picht's foreword of the proceedings can be found immediately before the first contribution.

The last 9 contributions to this colloquium will be published in Vol. 15 (2004), no. 1-2, which will contain only those papers.

I wish to thank all contributors and welcome new contributions for the next issue of the journal in 2005. Please send a mail to my adress, found below, or to one of my fellow members of the editorial board.

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