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## Editorial: The 10th Anniversary of the Journal of Global Positioning Systems

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Ten years ago, in 2002, the Journal of Global Positioning Systems was launched, as a major initiative of the International Association of Chinese Professionals in Global Positioning Systems (CPGPS) which was officially founded on the 10th, December, 2001 (www.cpgps.org). As an official publication of CPGPS, the Journal aims to deliver research findings, new information, scientific developments and applications of the Global Navigation Satellite Systems as well as other positioning, location and navigation technologies.

Over the past decade, with the strong support from leading professionals around the world, the Journal has grown and become one of the well-established international publications in the field. At the beginning of the publication, the Journal applied and was assigned the International Standard Serial Numbers (ISSN) for both Print (hardcopy) version and Electronic version, which has become a major publication media nowadays. We are proud of our open access approach adopted for the Journal and all the papers published have been made freely available on the internet through the official website at: <a href="www.cpgps.org/journal.php">www.cpgps.org/journal.php</a>. Each paper has been assigned a unique Digital Object Identification (DOI).

In these ten years, major efforts have been made to improve the quality of the journal. First, we have invited leading international experts in the field as members of the Editorial Board and Editorial Advisory Board to provide advice and support for the paper review process. Second, special invitations are made to some leading researchers to contribute their latest papers on some hot research topics. Over the years, the papers published in

this Journal have increasingly been cited by the papers in many other journals and conference proceedings. The recognition of the Journal has been also evidenced by its inclusion into the Australian Research Council's selected journal list, which is then used within the framework called Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) to assess research quality within Australia's higher education institutions. Although it is difficult to rank all the journals in any field of research, in 2008/2010, the ERA had made a trial of ranking the journals with a single quality rating of A\*, A, B or C. In that ranking process, the Journal of Global Positioning System was ranked "A" among the top quality journals in the field of positioning and navigation (no positioning and navigation journals were ranked "A\*"). The following website provides the details:

http://www.arc.gov.au/era/era\_2010/archive/era\_journal\_list.htm#1.

The achievements that the Journal enjoys would not have been possible without the contributions from the authors, the reviewers, as well as the strong support from the members of the Editorial Board and Editorial Advisory Board, the Journal supporting staff members, and all the CPGPS members. We sincerely acknowledge readers from the wide communities for their interests in the publications, their citations and their suggestions which have contributed to the recognition and growth of the Journal.

With the success in the first decade of publishing, we are confident that the Journal will move forward to achieve more in the coming decade. We look forward to working with you towards the next level of success.