

# From the Acting Editor-in-Chief

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**T**HIS is the first edition for 2022 of the IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES (TLT), and my first edition as Acting Editor-in-Chief (EiC), replacing Professor Mark Lee, who left the position in January. During the period January to June 2022 as acting EiC, I will coordinate the journal and also the search for the next EiC in my role as Vice President for Publications of the Education Society.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Professor Mark Lee for his outstanding contribution to the journal. Mark made substantial contributions to the TLT journal during his tenure as EiC, helping to develop it after we took over full sponsorship of the journal from the Computer Society. In his role as EiC, Mark has forged new relationships, encouraged relevant and high-quality special issues, and managed the journal with exceptional dedication to quality and with a most professional approach. I personally wish to thank him for his enormous contribution to the Education Society, and wish him the best of luck with his future endeavors.

This first issue for the 2022 year showcases the breadth of the TLT journal scope including research studies from several disciplines that study the impact of learning technologies on disciplinary conceptual development in programming, physics, and general science as well as work in learning analytics, virtual reality, and gamification of learning.

I hope that you enjoy the contents of this issue and gain knowledge and inspiration from the work reported in the 11 papers.

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