Editors' Note

We are very elated and excited to publish the first international issue of **Advances in Knowledge Representation**, formerly ***Fronteiras da Representação do Conhecimento***. We want to thank all the colleagues who have joined our editorial board to support internationalizing this established journal. We are grateful for their willingness to review for future issues of the journal.

The idea of this special issue was to invite the whole spectrum of research regarding top and middle-level ontologies across the globe. We are grateful to all researchers who followed our invitation to submit to this issue. To allow the broadest coverage of ideas regarding the topic, this special issue's submissions were not peer-reviewed. The resulting issue does not only provide a huge variability in topics, but also in paper formats, ranging from research articles to descriptions of research programs.

We believe this first international issue opens the stage for a global conversation about knowledge representation and its application. We are looking forward to our next issues, providing peer-reviewed research articles.

Again, thanks to anyone contributing to making this first international issue a reality.

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