## Editorial

This new issue inaugurates the third volume of JIDM. Besides a new cover page, this issue brings three sections reflecting the JIDM aim of providing a high-quality and dynamic publication venue.

The first section includes the article entitled "Order-Aware Twigs: Adding Order Semantics to Twigs", by Nizar and Kumar from the Indian Institute of Technology Madras, which was submitted through the JIDM regular track.

The second section is dedicated to research groups and presents two articles. The first one, entitled "Three Decades of Research on Database Design at PUC-Rio" by Casanova, Barbosa, Breitman and Furtado, features one of the most traditional Brazilian database research groups, whereas the second one, entitled "Long Lived Transaction Processing for Business Processes and Scientific Workflows" by Ferreira et al., describes the activities of the DATA (Database Modeling, Transactions, and data Analysis) group at the University of São Paulo.

Finally, the third section brings three articles that are extended and revised versions of selected short papers presented at SBBD 2011, the XXVI Brazilian Symposium on Databases held last October in Florianópolis, Santa Catarina. All these articles describe ongoing work and have been selected by the SBBD 2012 program committee for their innovative ideas.

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