

Foreword

Dear readers, authors and colleagues, this volume of Journal, numerated 1-4, comes with substantial delay. The reasons are of a predominantly financial nature, but also worth noting is a lack of quality papers. Since the last volume, this Journal is officially under the auspices of Association of Agricultural Engineering of Southeastern Europe – AESEE. From 2005 this regional association is a member of International Commission of Agricultural Engineering – CIGR. Thus virtually all national organizations and members of AESEE have now been embraced by the CIGR. The CIGR as the world roof organization of agricultural engineering hosts numerous activities. Amongst others, it publicizes one E-journal www.cigr-ejournal.tamu.edu. This journal is open for free publishing to all members. Agricultural Engineering – Reports for Southeastern Europe, does not compete with this journal but offers an opportunity to the researchers in the region of Southeastern Europe to publish articles which focus on the regional problems. It is, of course, open to authors from other countries, if the topics are of interest to the region.

In the period to come, several changes are planned. First of all, authors should follow writing instructions given for Ejournal, www.cigr-ejournal.tamu.edu/submission_instructions.html. Every author is to recommend one reviewer, who must not be a member of the Editorial Board. The Editorial Board chooses two other anonymous reviewers, thus every paper undergoes three reviews. It has been established unpractical that one volume contains four issues, so in the future their number shall be halved. For the next year which, following the volume sequence, is 2005, we plan to publish the volume as double issue. It is expected in print by the end of April, 2006. The Editorial Board shall tend to acquire sufficient number of quality papers, as well as to secure financial support so that, by the end of 2006, two issues will be published for Volume 1-2/2006). In that respect, we expect full support from all colleagues, especially the younger ones.

This volume features new Editor in Chief, while the Editorial Board has also been slightly renewed.

Editor in Chief

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