iarigai Newsletter

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President
Prof. Fritz Bircher

Vice President
Dr. Cathy Ridgway

Secretary General
Prof. Branka Lozo

General Assembly meeting 2026

- Re-election of the iarigai president

During the General Assembly meeting, held within the Annual Scientific Conference 2026 in Grenoble, Prof. Fritz Bircher was re-elected as iarigai president for the three-year period.

- Changes in the Articles

The GA representatives voted for the changes of the Articles to reduce the number of the Board members from 7 to 5. The actual members of the Board are:

Prof. Fritz Bircher, president and member
Dr. Cathy Ridgway, vice-president and member
Prof. Linlin Liu, member
Dr. Aurore Denneulin, member
Dr. Sofia Thorman, member

New Editor-in-Chief

After a severe delay in publication activities, caused by the health issues and resignation of the former Editor-in-Chief Dr. Daniel Bohn, we are glad to present the new Editor-in-Chief Prof. Dr.-Ing. Armin Weichmann from HdM, Germany.
Prof. Dr.-Ing. Weichmann took over the position and is getting familiar with the tasks, communicating with the indexing institutions in order not to lose the JPMTR status, achieved so far. It is his intention to edit one issue of the journal by the end of the calendar year.

- **Important:** Should you have submitted a manuscript to be published in JPMTR and did not get any response so far, please contact Prof. Dr.-Ing. Weichmann using **journal@iarigai.org** email address, and/or resubmit your manuscript.

Next year's conference

The Annual Scientific Conference in 2027 will take place in Toronto, Canada, collocated with the IC conference, hosted by Toronto Metropolitan University. The conference dates are set for August 24 – 27, 2027.

This year, in addition to the peer-reviewed extended abstract process – leading to publication in the indexed iarigai Advances – authors may submit a short abstract for consideration for either an oral or poster presentation.

More details are available at the conference website, already up and running https://www.iarigai-ic-2027.org/