President's Congratulatory Message



I would like to congratulate Information Service Center of Korea Institute of Science and Technology (KISTI) on the publication of the first issue of the Journal of Information Science Theory and Practice (JISTaP).

KISTI actively advancing as a world-class information research institute, celebrated its 50th anniversary last year. KISTI originated from Korea Science & Technology Information Center (KORSTIC) in 1962, and went through the ages of Korea Institute for Industrial Economics & Trade (KIET), Korea Institute of Industry and Technology Information (KINITI) and Korea Research & Development Information Center (KORDIC). This journey until the establishment of the KISTI was definitely a great history of seeding the knowledge of science & technology and building advanced infrastructure.

The area of Information Dissemination is a primary misson of KISTI. The Journal of Information Management was published on such area, and it was inherited by JISTaP. I believe that the JISTaP will exemplify a globalized journal in the area of information science and technology.

Significant amount of time and effort were spent on the publication. JISTaP staffs have selected renowned professionals for the editorial board, and they also have made efforts to call for and publish high-quality papers. JISTaP publication is the achievement of KISTI by collaborating with academic organizations leading the library and information science field.

Because JISTaP is an open access journal, it is open to the public for free. To meet the demands for globalization of domestic scientific journals as well as to invigorate digital information dissemination, KISTI will build globalized publication life-cycle platform from the experience of JISTaP publication. By establishing such platform, anyone will be able to publish scientific knowledge easily, users will be able to access the publication freely, and authors'copyrights will be protected. This accomplishment will build the open access scientific communication environment. Lastly, I would like to thank all JISTaP staffs who have contributed to the publication for their efforts.

Young Seo Park / President of KISTI March 11, 2013