

A WORD FROM THE CHAIR OF ANESTHESIOLOGY AND THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Dr. Ghassan Kanazi, the new Chairman of the Department of Anesthesiology of the American University of Beirut Medical Center and Dr. Anis Baraka Editor-In-Chief of the Middle East Journal of Anesthesiology, would like to welcome all contributors and readers of the Middle East Journal of Anesthesiology and do appreciate their input, past and present, for the last 42 years, and hope for their continued support for many years to come. We take pride in having an affiliated Journal to our Department as it has proved to be a platform for education, exchange of opinions and promotion of research and publication of our Middle Eastern heritage of medicine and anesthesia.

By July 2008, our Department of Anesthesiology will be 50 years old, and to celebrate this Golden Anniversary, we would like to introduce some changes in our Journal that will facilitate its access to our readers worldwide and simultaneously benefiting the impact factor and citation ratio of our Journal.

Effective the February 2008 issue (Vol. 19, No. 4), the printed Journal will be gradually phased out into an electronic based journal. Initially, the electronic journal can be accessed at the following URL:

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With our best wishes to our Contributors, Readers, Executive Editorial Board, Founding, Honorary and Consultant Editors.

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