## **Message from the Editors**

In August 2010, I (Vijay) became a member of the Executive Committee of IEEE TC on Intelligent Informatics (TCII). As my primary responsibility as a new member of the EC, I am happy to serve the community as the Editor-in-Chief of the IEEE Intelligent Informatics Bulletin. The research specializations of the TCII members span multiple cognitive and intelligent paradigms, such as knowledge engineering, artificial neural networks, fuzzy logic, evolutionary computing, and rough sets. The TCII Bulletin provides opportunities to the community to communicate with each other regarding their on-going research and professional activities, and to share its experiences for the benefit of all members.

This issue of the TCII Bulletin has four feature articles and one book review. The article by G. Pasi elaborates on the excellent presentation she made recently on preference-modeling and personalization in information retrieval at the WI-IAT 2010 conference, held in Toronto. C. R. Milar'e et al. investigate the influence of rule measures on the performance of evolutionary algorithms used to induce classifiers. D. Yuan et al. discuss methods of identifying interactions among items having large relative-contrasts. Finally, the article by S. Zhang explores an approach for incorporating a certainty factor into the kNN classification strategy. In the Book Review section, N. Hussain and H. Zhou review the 2010 book by Longbing Cao on the exciting topic of Domain-driven Data Mining.

The Bulletin is the result of hard work by the members of the Editorial Board. We express our gratitude to their efforts in working closely with the contributing authors to get this issue out in a timely fashion. But without the indulgence of all of you, the TCII members, it is difficult to ensure that the quality feature articles and other materials in the bulletin meet the Bulletin's goals of being an effective and sought after medium of communication. I strongly encourage your involvement and welcome your suggestions for keeping its contents vibrant and relevant.

The editors look forward to working with many of you. We are also excited to announce that the Editorial Board will be ably assisted by Dr. Xin Li who has graciously agreed to serve in the capacity of the Assistant Managing Editor.

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