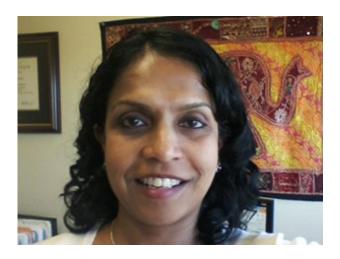


FROM THE PRESIDENT



Sangeetha Gopalakrishnan Wayne State University

I am happy that we have been able publish this first issue of the IALLT Journal for 2017 just before the IALLT 2017 conference at Concordia College in Moorhead, MN. I am grateful to the authors for their contributions, and the IALLT Journal Managing Editor, Dan Soneson, for making the publication, and the timing, of this issue possible.

With the publication of this issue, Dan Soneson is concluding his tenure as IALLT Journal Managing Editor. Dan started as the Managing Editor of the IALLT Journal in 2011 and has since then served IALLT exceptionally well in this role. Working together with a team of peer reviewers, he fulfilled IALLT's goal to publish two issues each year, one in the Fall, and the other in Spring. Given the all-voluntary nature of the organization, this goal was at times challenging to achieve. Additionally, during his tenure, Dan also worked hard on transitioning the IALLT Journal to the Open Journal System (OJS), which was a

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long and painstaking process. Through all his efforts, Dan greatly strengthened the IALLT Journal to make it truly one of IALLT's mainstay publications. I greatly appreciate Dan's commitment as the IALLT Journal Managing Editor all these years and am grateful to him for his service to IALLT. I wish him the very best!

Sangeetha Gopalakrishnan

IALLT's 26th President

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