

From the Editor

Dear Readers of TOJDE;

I am pleased to inform you that Vol.:3, Number:3 issue of The Turkish Online Journal of Distance Education-TOJDE has been issued on the web side <http://tojde.anadolu.edu.tr> TOJDE is meeting with its readers for the sixth time, since 2000 January.

In this issue place has been given to six articles, one notes for editor, two book and one conference reviews, six news, information about one institution and one journal and three link of Anadolu University. This issue's articles are come from Canada, India, United Kingdom, Turkey and the USA according to alphabetical order.

In this issue of TOJDE "Notes for Editor" section includes to Dr. Jim FLOOD's article, The Open University, the Director of Learning COROUS, from UNITED KINGDOM. His note is on "Future of Learning: Learning in a Virtual World" He states that E-learning can offer a rich choice of learning experiences that fit in with my need, my pace, my place, my aspirations and my learning styles, and so it can, as never before, facilitate personal growth and professional development.

The first article is dealt with "Options and Considerations for Distance Education Learner Assessment and Self-assessment". Written by Tom JONES, Ph.D. Associate Professor, Centre for Distance Education Athabasca University, Alberta, CANADA. In his article mentions that the assessment of distance learners by themselves (self-evaluation) and by instructors (summative evaluation) is presently an option for all distance delivered programs and courses. To incorporate the necessary evaluative components, a number of factors must be considered. Among these are the delivery options (internet versus local PC), the different test generation programs that are available and the issues of accessibility, flexibility and security. Suggestions on how to address each of these factors are discussed and recommendations are provided

The second article is join stud and written by Samuel DIGANGI, Ph.D., Angel JANNASCH, Ph.D., Kathleen M. KILEY, Dr. Mary E. STAFFORD, Ph.D., and Ibrahim H. DIKEN, Doctoral Candidate, Arizona State University, from USA. Their article based on a project, which is entitled as "The Eruditio Project: Evaluation of an Internet Training Program for Classroom Teachers". In their article points out and focuses on the evaluation of the USWest/NEA Arizona Teacher Network Project (Eruditio Project), a collaborative effort among Arizona State University-Main, Arizona State University-West, Northern Arizona University-Yuma, Northern Arizona University-Flagstaff, Grand Canyon University, University of Arizona, Arizona Education Association (AEA) and the Arizona Department of Education (ADE). The goal of the Eruditio Project is to integrate technology and telecommunications into K-12 curricula to improve student achievement by providing face-to-face and on-line training for educators throughout the state of Arizona.

The third article which is about using online education environment and written by Dr. Simon STOBART-Peter CHAU School of Computing and Technology University of Sunderland, UNITED KINGDOM Article is entitled " Postgraduate Student Perspectives of Using an On-line Learning Environment". In their paper investigates a brief description of the Sunderland On-line Learning Environment (SOLE) is presented highlighting its key features and the tools it incorporates to support learning. The results of a survey of postgraduate student users of the learning environment is presented, in an attempt to identify the key advantages and disadvantages of using such an environment from a students perspective.

The fourth article is belongs to Abdullah KOCAK Ph.D, Ahmet KALENDER Ph.D, Selcuk University School of Communication, from TURKEY. Their article is entitled as "Distance Education Within A Campus: Case Of Selcuk University". They paper investigates, students' points of view on this project. Students' level of utilization and satisfaction together with their views on the future of project have been presented.

The fifth article is from India and belongs to Professor R V Vyas, Dr. R C Sharma, Ashwini Kumar. Their article is entitled as "Educational Radio in India". They paper investigates, that radio has been used in conventional education, non-formal education, for agricultural education, for community development, in distance education, so on and so forth. This paper explains various educational radio projects undertaken in India.

In this issue's "Reviews" section contains two books and one conference reivews. The first book which is reviewed by reviewed by Ashok SHARMA Lecturer in Psychology, Vaish PG College, (Haryana) from INDIA. The book is entitled as "Discovering Statistics Using SPSS for Windows" written and edited by Andy Field. Sage Publications, London, 496 pp, ISBN: 0-7619-5755-3 (PB). Thus this book explores The book "Discovering Statistics Using SPSS for Windows" is exactly that! Since it calculates amazingly fast, in the recent years, the computer has become the most useful and helpful tool for the researchers in almost every field of knowledge - be it open and distance education, psychology, sociology, management or else.

The second book review is sent by Dr. Ramesh C. Sharma Indira Gandhi National Open University, INDIA and Editor of TOJDE. He reviwed Mukhopadhyay 's book which is entitled " Total Quality Management in Education " written by Marmar Mukhopadhyay and published by National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration: New Delhi, hard cover, pp. 255. In Sharma's word "With changing patterns of education delivery from face-to-face to online, course content, nature of learner, and organizational structures, the concept of quality has become an inherent component of the educational process for its success. Globally various bodies have been established to develop guidelines for quality products and services; and their maintenance. The globalization of education, migration of students from one community to other, one country to another, provides adequate causes for concerns to the educationists and administrators. Total Quality Management (TQM) in Education is a timely tool, which must be clearly understood, adopted and implemented as soon as possible. The book under review discusses various concepts, issues, processes, models and implementation strategies for TQM in educational settings. The book has consulted heavily the research conducted in the field by various researchers and scholars and thus gives an authentic touch to the quality movement in the schools". The volume is organized under 12 chapters. Chapter 1st explains the basic issues of quality as such and various concerns of quality management related to its concept among the people and the techniques of quality management.

A conference held by Anadolu Univerisy at May 23-25 reviewed by me on The First International Symposium for In its 20th anniversary celebrations, Open Education Faculty (OEF) "New Horizons in Educational Communication and Technology", MAY 23-25, 2002 Held by Anadolu University, Eskisehir, TURKEY. This was Anadolu's first attempt to celebrate the 20th anniversary including an International Symposium on the theme "New Horizons in Educational Communication and Technology", on May 23-25, 2002. It was achieved by including many national and more then nine international presenters came from Greece, Israel, Kazakhstan, Northern Cyprus Turkish Republic and the United States on the program, as they provide different experiences. It was also enlightening to hear their views and successes, as well as the problems they are still facing. And 6 of foreign were keynote speakers.

Some columns in the News section of TOJDE are still available in this issue. For example, "some statistical data and figures" are kept dealing with the past issues and (Vol.:3 No.:2) for visitors or readers of Tojde. Another subject is dealing with some Tojde dealers and readers' feelings and their expressions which had been sent to the editor-in-chief about

TOJDE's perception, also has been kept. This Column will be carried on the following issues due. Since your feelings and expressions are always welcomed to the TOJDE's Editorial, we believe that you will do your best expression on your feelings and opinions about TOJDE in due course. Columns which are entitled "Advertising in the TOJDE", "Anadolu University's Articles" and "TOJDE's Links Are Getting More" still kept in this issue. As a new subject, TOJDE's links are increasing day by day in the electronic medium. Some journals, printed journals and university libraries are added into the addresses of TOJDE to their database. In this issue you will see the "New" sign on some of these added links. I hope it will be so interesting to see TOJDE's link under your institution in this column.

This Issue's Featured Journal is; a new e-journal from india entitled as "Global E-Journal of OPEN, FLEXIBLE & DISTANCE EDUCATION" which is published by IGNOU,India. In addition, an Institution is "BCIT" from The British Columbia Institute of Technology which work on distance education subjects. BCIT also offer advanced training, distance and online learning, and industry training.

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**Happy reading and hope to stay in touch and meet in next issue on October 2002.
Cordially Yours,**

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