Editor’s Introduction

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This July I took over from Shaddin Dughmi as the editor of SIGecom Exchanges. My predecessors have laid a solid base for this newsletter as a playground for vivid communications on research activities in Economics and Computation. I will do my best to continue this great tradition, and welcome ideas on both the contents and innovations in the form or scope of the newsletter, in the hope for even more active engagement with the community.

In this issue, apart from four letters on recent research progress, we have a very informative survey by Shaddin Dughmi on Algorithmic Information Structure Design, an area which has seen exciting progress in recent years. We also have a letter by Nikhil Devanur, reporting on the First Workshop on the Economics of Cloud Computing. As the program chair of the workshop, Nikhil summarized each keynote and contributed talk at the workshop.

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