FROM THE EDITOR

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A recent headline in PC Week stated: "1991 Saw Promises and Missed Deadlines Aplenty". Unfortunately, the headline seems all too apropos to our journal and its editor. Too many commitments at the beginning of the academic year wreaked havoc on all of my intended deadlines. My sincere apology to those whose meetings didn’t get proper publicity, to those authors waiting for their articles to appear, and to IALL members who simply didn’t have this resource in a timely manner.

In this issue we have, again, a real mix of information. There truly should be something for everyone, with articles on video-discs, more effective use of the language lab, and a discussion of single vs. dual monitor interactive video hardware. In addition, we are able to reproduce a fascinating discussion on copyright issues that is guaranteed to raise more questions in your mind that it will answer. Finally, we include a summary of the highly successful IALL ’91 Conference.

1991 has been a good year, in many ways, for our organization as well as for language learning technology generally. And the future looks good as long as we continue to bring language learning and technology together in useful, productive, and cost effective ways. We need each other, now more than ever, to keep up with our rapidly changing field. We need your contributions to the journal, and your participation in regional, national, and international meetings and in the LLTI electronic forum.

As we close out 1991 and launch into 1992, the editors of the IALL Journal wish you each the best in meeting your professional goals, and hope we can assist you in doing so.
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