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SoSyM has been included in the Science Citation Index Expanded since 2009. The current Impact Factor is 1.269 covering the issues of the last 2 years. The value reflects the good reputation of SoSyM as a high quality journal.

We continue to have a steady stream of submissions. In 2011, 228 new manuscripts were submitted to SoSyM. Of these, 42% were reviewed for regular issues, while the other 58% were submitted for special or theme sections. The average number of days from submission to a final decision (accept or reject) was approximately 148 in 2011. It should be noted that this time includes the time authors spend on making major revisions (typically 3 months). The number of months to online publication of an accepted paper has continued to drop and is now just under 1 month. We will continue to work on improving the review turnaround time.

The current acceptance rate for regular papers is 16%. The acceptance rate for special or theme section papers is 26%. The current publication pipeline is just below 1 year. Accepted papers are available online soon after acceptance, and thus the pipeline should not pose a significant problem to accepted authors.

The rather timely turnaround of papers and the high quality of accepted papers are a result of the excellent efforts the editors and reviewers put into the review process. We understand how difficult it is to balance editorial and review responsibilities with other pressing responsibilities and thus we greatly appreciate the work performed by our editors and reviewers on behalf of SoSyM.

Below we list the reviewers who reviewed one or more papers for the journal in the last year. A complete list of reviewers can be found on our website <http://www.sosym.org/>.

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committed to ensure that the journal continues to play an important role in the dissemination of knowledge in the software-based system modeling community. Finally, we thank you, the reader, for your support of SoSyM. Please do not hesitate to contact us with your comments about the journal.

Contents in this issue

In this issue, we include papers on the theme topic, Model-Based Interoperability. The editors of the theme section are

Tony Clark and Jorn Bettin. This issue also includes a regular paper titled “Modeling and Enforcing Invariants of Dynamic Software Architectures” by Slim Kallel, Mohamed Hadj Kacem, and Mohamed Jmaiel.

We hope you enjoy reading this issue.