

## A year of changes

Dear friends:

In this year 2022, many changes are taking place that are affecting the journal and in general they are positive.

Firstly, as many of you will already know, editorial management is now done through an OJS platform and not through email. It has been very surprising to see that within a week of implementing the system, and without having to have published the change, many articles were already being received. With a few minor glitches that we have been correcting, we have been fully operational for some time now and we hope that this system will facilitate and speed up the editorial process. We encourage you to register on the journal's website, both to submit articles as authors, to be eligible to be reviewers and, in short, to keep up to date with the journal's publications:

<https://materconstrucc.revistas.csic.es/index.php/materconstrucc/user/register>

Secondly, in June, we received the data from the latest Clarivate Impact Index, and *Materiales de Construcción* has significantly increased its IF in 2021. We have gone from 1,619 to 2,133. All this is the result of the joint effort of the editorial team, authors and reviewers, who give their best so that the

journal continues to grow. Thank you all and let's keep working in this direction.

On the other hand, I would like to express my immense gratitude, shared I am sure by the entire Editorial Board, to Margaret. Our Margaret, who has helped us so much with her linguistic evaluations, with the translation of the web page or the letters to authors and reviewers. Your retirement is well deserved, but we will miss you very much because you have always worked with great judgement and good work. A warm kiss to you.

Finally, I would like to tell you that for the year 2023 there will be changes in the editorial team, of which we will keep you informed. The four-year term of this Editorial Board and the Advisory Board is coming to an end. All of them have worked enthusiastically, giving their best and supporting the Journal, and me as Editor-in chief, at all times. Their role and advice is fundamental for the good development of *Materiales de Construcción*. I would like to mention two members in particular: Jose Luis García, Secretary of the Editorial Board, who has worked tirelessly alongside me, always ready to help and contribute, and Francisca Puertas, honorary Editor-in chief of the journal, whose knowledge of the Journal and advice are of inestimable value.

Many thanks to all of you.

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