



Editorial

David Leake, Editor-in-Chief

The AAAI Publications Committee has selected me as the new Editor of *AI Magazine*, starting with this issue. I am honored by the appointment and look forward to the opportunity to guide the magazine as it begins its third decade of publication.

AI Magazine serves the artificial intelligence community in many ways. It is a medium for disseminating information about AI areas and methods to readers across the entire field of AI, as well as to a broad multidisciplinary audience. It is a journal of record for articles on important research and applications advances as well as for meeting reports, reviews, and discussions that illuminate the state of the art and emerging areas. Equally important, it is a forum for sharing visions for the field—perspectives on issues, priorities, and challenges for moving forward. *AI Magazine* records the progress of AI, fosters communication between researchers and practitioners in different subareas, and helps to shape the future of artificial intelligence.

I encourage the AI community to participate actively in *AI Magazine* by submitting significant articles, reports, and commentaries and by responding to published articles in letters to the Editor. I intend to build on the magazine's strengths, continuing the process of refinement that has

been ongoing since the magazine's inception, and I welcome comments and suggestions to contribute to this process.

I would like to thank the previous Editors and authors, and the staff of *AI Magazine*, for their exemplary contributions to making the magazine what it is today. I would also like to thank the Publications Committee for selecting me as Editor, and especially to thank the Publications Committee Chair, Kenneth Ford, the previous Editor, Jude Shavlik, and Publishing Consultant Mike Hamilton, for their warm welcome, help, and very valuable guidance as I have embarked on the editorship. I am delighted to begin my term as Editor and look forward to working with the many who contribute to *AI Magazine's* success.

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