

**Editorial Foreword...**

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As we come to end of another successful year for science, it is with immense pleasure that I present our readers with issue **Vol. 3 – No. 2 in 2014** of the “*Journal of Environmental Professionals Sri Lanka (JEPSL)*”. JEPSL has been improving with each publication, achieving the aim of high quality research communications containing fresh, cutting-edge ideas addressing a wide range of issues at the nexus of environment from ecology to human dimensions of environment; conservation, management, and policy analysis in the form of research articles, reviews, and short communications.

With the rapid changes, interventions and innovations in this field, and the growing readership, clearly, a speedy publication is critical for the overall success of the journal. Making the journal accessible on “*Sri Lanka Journals Online*” has made articles available even faster to a wider community as we continue to publish it biannually. From the inception, we have witnessed a significant growth of interest in the contributions from our authors from various disciplines; both local and international, demonstrating an increased number of quality submissions in a broadening range of topics.

This issue would not have been possible without the inspiration and the invaluable role of the highly qualified Panel of Expert Reviewers representing all disciplines relevant to the journal. Observing the widening interests and disciplines, I am hopeful that there will be more contributions from the existing as well as the emerging scientists to gift the scientific community in the coming years.

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