Editorial

It is usual practice that the Editor writes a few words in every issue of the Malta Medical Journal. However, this time I am writing this brief introduction as the Chairman of the new editorial board of this Journal.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the previous editorial board for the sterling work they have performed during their tenure of office. They have all worked incessantly in order to keep our Journal alive and for this, I believe, they merit our thanks.

A new Malta Medical Journal Editorial Board has now been appointed in order to continue this work. Professor Victor Grech has been appointed Editor, while Dr Christopher Barbara will take over the functions of Hon Treasurer. Professor Stephen Montefort, Professor Nikolai Attard, Mr Benedict Axisa, Dr Neville Calleja, Professor Stephen Fava, Dr Anthony Fenech, Mr Joseph Galea and Dr Alexander Gatt form the rest of the Editorial Board. Publishing and printing the Journal has always been a major problem and this will be one of the main priorities of this board. We shall try to overcome this problem by possibly making the journal readily available online. The Editorial Board will also strive to ensure a wider circulation for our Journal.

This is no easy task as it involves quite a laborious process but I am sure we will succeed as I am fortunate enough to have the collaboration of such a valid group of people on the Editorial Board. I am sure that with everyone's cooperation we will achieve our ultimate goal, that of continuing to improve the quality of our Journal.

Towards this end, your contribution is essential, as you, after all, are the contributors to our Journal and it is your important research and work that keeps the Journal alive.

Let us all continue with the excellent work done so far. We require your help, by submitting your work to be considered for publication in the Malta Medical Journal, in order to continue to disseminate valuable medical information to our medical community.

> Raymond Galea Chairman Malta Medical Journal Editorial Board