Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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On behalf of the editorial board, I am pleased to present the ninth volume of the IPSJ Transactions on System LSI Design Methodologies (TSLDM). TSLDM aims to provide the best opportunity for all researchers working on the design, the electronic design automation, and the methodologies of system LSIs or systems-on-a-chip to publish and learn about recent, state-of-the-art works.

Similar to previous volumes, the ninth volume contains the February and August issues. Each issue, in turn, contains invited papers written by world-renowned researcheres and many high-quality, peer-reviewed papers.

Established in 2008, TSLDM has become one of the most prestigious journals in our research area. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Prof. Hidetoshi Onodera, the 1st Editor-in-Chief of the journal, and Prof. Hiroyuki Tomiyama, the 2nd Editor-in-Chief of the journal. As the 3rd Editor-in-Chief, I would like to take this opportunity to further enhance this prestigious journal. I would also like to thank all the past committee members, authors, and reviewers. Without their great contributions, TSLDM would have never acquired such a prestigious status in such a very short period. I will also do my best, together with the Editors and Associate Editors.

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Finally, but not least, I would like to thank all the authors who submitted their research works since their contributions form the basis of our technical excellence. Without a doubt, TSLDM will continue to be an ideal journal because of its open-access policy, timely publication, and established reputation.

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