Editorial Edson Luiz Riccio Editor

This issue contains articles that stood out at the 3rd CONTECSI, which took place in June 2006. The articles were nominated by judges, scientific committee. This fact does not disregard other papers presented at the congress, which were considered to be high quality material by the scientific committee members.

The 3rd CONTECSI totaled 177 articles presented and published in the Proceedings. The complete report on the event is published in this issue.

This issue also brings news about the new access system and visualization of the journal, which is the OJS/SEER, an Electronic Journal Publishing System, translated and customized by IBICT (Brazilian Institute of Information in Science and Technology - <u>www.ibict.br/secao.php?cat=SEER</u>) based on the software developed by Public Knowledge Project (Open Journal Systems, of the British Columbia University - <u>www.pkp.ubc.ca/ojs/</u>).

The system has an international standard, which is used by journals around the world. By using such a system, we intend to improve the access to articles and facilitate the search for authors, indexing, expanding the visualization of articles published and their authors within the scientific community.

The articles are:

1) Tools of knowledge dissemination within a national defense institution for innovation, technology and science, by Antonio Ramalho de Souza Carvalho, Carlos Cezar de Mascarenhas, Edson Aparecida de Araújo Querido Oliveira, Brazil.

2) Flexibility analysis in an information economy: structural equation modeling, by Feruccio Bilich, Ricardo DaSilva, Paulo Ramos, Brazil

3) ICTS and enterprise: conceptual proposals to generate indicators for the information society, by Fernando Peirano, Diana Suárez, Argentina

4) Business process management with the use of patterns methodology, by Pedro Bonillo, Venezuela

5) Information technology users´ abilities: a case study on computing learning in an undergraduate course, by André Luiz Pires de Miranda, Maria Celeste Reis Lobo de Vasconcelos, George Leal Jamil, Valéria Maria Martins Judice, Brazil

6) CRM, learning and organizational control, by Christophe Benavent, Olivier de la Villarmois, França

7) Continuous Auditing: the USA Experience and Considerations for its Implementation in Brazil by Michael G. Alles, Fernando Tostes, Miklos A. Vasarhelyi, Edson Luiz Riccio.

Outcomes of 3rd CONTECSI – International Conference on Information Systems and Technology Management.

In the announcement of events, we are informing an initiative by TECSI, which is the 3rd Brazilian Workshop of XBRL, on October 20th, 2006. The event can be followed

worldwide through the Internet; it will be streamed with the support provided by Estudio Multimeios of CCE (Electronic Computer Center of USP), University of São Paulo, Brazil. The purpose of the Workshop is to inform and discuss the state of the art in XBRL language and technology for the posting of financial-economic information. Also, in the announcement, other events are mentioned, such as the "Call for Papers" of the 4th CONTECSI - International Conference on Information Systems and Technology Management. CONTECSI has grown by the year regarding number of papers, participants and quality. The 4th CONTECSI will feature renowned researchers from Brazil and from many other countries.