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Well, we have made it to the two hundredth issue of IRSE NEWS! It is also exactly ten years to the issue since I took over the role of Editor from John Francis.

I would like to thank the editorial team that supports both the magazine and myself, for their continued burning of the midnight oil, the chasing of articles and pictures and their general support and enthusiasm for this publication. I would also particularly like to thank Tony Rowbotham and Stuart Angill for their attention to detail and for working alongside me for the last ten years without having too many dramas or issues to be concerned about. Lastly, I would like to thank Fericon for printing and posting out copies of each issue of the NEWS in a timely manner.

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Finally, I wish to thank the members of this great Institution that wish to read, learn from and contribute to their Institution's publication. This is regarding not only the reporting and feedback of the technological advances within the world-wide signalling and telecommunications industry, but to raise awareness of areas of concern and technical solutions that have been developed to overcome these issues. Without support from the membership, this magazine would not be in the position it is today!

We need to develop the next generation of signalling and telecommunications engineers and this Institution has the ability to achieve this with support from this publication. This magazine needs to continue developing, and we can only achieve this with your support and feedback. That being the case, the editorial team around the world looks forward to your contributions, feedback and pictures for publication.

Here's to the next one hundred issues! Thank you all and best wishes.

Ian James Allison, Editor

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