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Editorial

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All good things must come to an end. I have decided to retire from my post as Editor-in-Chief. After 10 years as Associate-Editor and 15 as Editor-in-Chief, and the journal in transition to Gold Open Access, I feel it is time to hand the baton over to somebody else. Luckily, Prof Steven Penfield of the John Innes Centre has offered to take up this task. Steve is not an unknown in the seed science community. Apart from being an excellent scientist, he is also a member of the Executive Committee and Treasurer of the International Society for Seed Science. But what has counted most is his broad view of this field of science, an undisputed prerequisite for the post. He will be your new Editor-in Chief as of October 1, 2023. I wish him lots of luck and fun.

I'd like to thank Cambridge University Press and its excellent publishers, currently Alison Paskins, as well as the Production Team. Through the years they have provided outstanding support for the journal.

With the transition to Gold Open Access of the journal, the Editorial Board has been updated and the journal's scope will be expanded, too. So, keep an eye on the website in the coming months.

I will be fully retired from Wageningen University by the end of the year, as well, and at the same time I am at the beginning of an exciting new project with the University of Cape Town in South-Africa.

Finally, I would like to ask all of you to contribute to and advertise for our journal as much as possible. Since SSR is a specialty journal it will never attain very high impact but it has a solid reputation of publishing rigorously, but friendly, peer reviewed high quality papers.

All the best to all of you!

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