From the Editor

I am pleased to share more good news about BEQ with our readers and authors. BEQ ranks 1st of 450 Philosophy journals, and 7th of 236 Business, Management, and Accounting, journals in the Scopus SCImago journal rankings published by Elsevier. This is a ranking scheme that takes into account citations in a wider range of journals and in many ways is better suited to assess the impact of a multidisciplinary journal, such as BEQ, that is frequently cited in both humanities and social science journals, than the Thomson Reuters journal ranking system (which uses a much smaller list of mostly social science journals as the basis for assessing journal impact). Annual submissions to BEQ are now consistently well over 300 articles per year and our acceptance rate is consistent at 5% over the last three years. Our publisher, Cambridge University Press, reports that there have been over 6,400 downloads of BEQ articles in the first six months of 2015.

Additionally, I am pleased to report that Juliane Reinecke, University of Warwick, has joined the BEQ leadership team as an Associate Editor. Juliane’s expertise includes qualitative research methods and she will help us to manage the growing number of qualitative submissions that are being submitted to the journal. At the same time, Associate Editor Heather Elms is stepping down from the senior leadership team after five years of service. We are grateful to Heather for her patient, developmental work with authors over the years. Due to a publisher’s error, Associate Editor Ken Goodpaster was accidently left off of the masthead of volume 25, issues 1 and 2. Ken is a greatly valued member of the BEQ leadership and we apologize for this error. Ken continues as an Associate Editor.

One of my favorite responsibilities as Editor in Chief is to report the winners of Business Ethics Quarterly annual awards. The 2015 Best Article Award and Best Reviewer Award are given for articles published in 2014 or reviews completed predominantly during 2014. The BEQ Associate Editors, Managing Editor, and Editor in Chief constitute the nominating committee for the Best Article Award. This year the Best Article Award Committee was comprised of Associate Editors Jerry Goodstein (Washington State University) and Jeffrey Moriarty (Bentley University) and Managing Editor Elizabeth Scott (Eastern Connecticut State University).

The finalists and winners are as follows:

2015 Best Reviewer Award

Norman Bowie, University of Minnesota
2015 Best Article Award


Thanks to all the authors and reviewers whose contributions allow BEQ to flourish in its distinctive role as the leading theoretical, multidisciplinary journal of business ethics and corporate social responsibility.

Denis G. Arnold
Editor in Chief