

## Editorial

The past years have witnessed a steady growth in the number of papers submitted to *Science Studies*, and we have also been pleased to observe an increasing amount of papers with a high quality at the point of initial submission. While the journal is running well, making it run well has become increasingly taxing for the chief editors. For this reason we have experimented with, and with this issue, made permanent a new editorial arrangement, which consists of a co-ordinating editor and a team of 5-7 editors. The editors are selected from different subspecialties of science and technology studies.

A similar arrangement is used in several other journals. In our model the co-ordinating editor and assistant editor mainly handle the practical matters of the journal and its development, while each editor is responsible for the papers assigned to her or him until their rejection or final acceptance. We have been glad to observe that this not only spreads the burden of editing and screening of papers but also makes editing more enjoyable as each editor can focus more closely on his or her areas of best expertise. The new system also better enables the exchange of opinions and experience within the editorial community.

The team we presently have consists of Dos. Sampsa Hyysalo (co-ordinating editor), Dr. Mervi Hasu, Dr. Hannu Hänninen, Dr. Tarja Knuuttila, Dr. Antti Pelkonen, and Dr. Aaro Tupasela. Dr. Janne Lehenkari continues as book review editor and Ms Stephanie Freeman as assistant editor.

This team has worked together from 2009 and throughout 2010, but we announce it only in this 2/2010 issue as it is now evident that this is the way we shall

continue. The new arrangement is meant to facilitate the internationalization of also the editing of *Science Studies*. To date, there has been a mismatch in that close to 90% of our papers and reviewers come from outside Finland, and similarly Finns form only a minor subset of our editorial board, yet the editors have all been Finnish. With the next issue 1/2011 almost half of our editorial team will come from outside Finland. As this last sentence implicates, our new model is also geared towards increased rotation in editorships, target being 2-4 year posts.

This present open call issue you have at hand covers an interesting spectrum of timely topics within the science and technology studies. We begin with the paper by Mathias Friman: *Understanding Boundary Work through Discourse Theory: Inter/disciplines and Interdisciplinarity*, which provides a closer examination of boundary work, an almost classical topic of interest in our field. This paper was edited by Dr. Mervi Hasu. We then move to examine issues related to the present transition facing academic journals in the paper by Beate Elvebakk: *What is an Academic Journal? Problems Associated with the Transition to Electronic Publishing*, edited by Dr. Hannu Hänninen. Equally, examining a highly important present transition, researcher mobility, is the paper by Ana Delicado: *Going abroad to do science: mobility trends and motivations of Portuguese researchers*. This paper was edited by Dr. Sampsa Hyysalo, who also gave the final acceptance to the fourth of the papers in this present issue by Monica Degen, Gillian Rose & Begum Basdas: *Bodies and everyday practices in designed urban environments*. This paper was in other respects guest

edited for us by Dr. Albena Yaneva as it was a follow on addition to the special issue on STS and Architecture special issue in our 1/2008 journal. Finally, the new editorial arrangement also means that our Associate Editor institution has come to its end. We would like to warmly thank all our Associate

Editors over the years, most of whom have continued with us as members of Science Studies editorial board.

On behalf of the present editorial team,

Sampsa Hyysalo  
Co-ordinating editor