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EDITORS' FOREWORD

We are pleased to introduce the Second Volume of ELOPE, the journal of the Slovene Association for the Study of English. It seems that our first publication has already become quite popular as this issue contains twice as many papers as the last. Each paper was submitted to two independent reviewers whose reports were carefully analysed; in response to these reports the authors, where necessary, were asked to observe the reviewers' comments and submit a revised version. The result of this careful selection is a volume twice as thick as the first one, encompassing a total of 25 papers covering the following four areas of interest: linguistics (10), literature and translation (9) and English language and literature teaching (6). This time the volume is truly international in the sense that nearly one half of the authors are from elsewhere in Europe, and even the USA and Canada.

The title of the first volume was Studies in the English Language and Literature in Slovenia. Due to the international aspect of this volume, we decided to entitle it English Language and Literature Studies in the Context of European Language Diversity. Although we hope that eventually we shall be able to have thematic volumes devoted to various and specific fields of interest, we believe that the reality will be different for at least the next few issues. This means that in future we will be happy to accept for publication any paper which meets the basic criteria for publication and receives positive evaluations from our two independent reviewers.

In concluding this introduction we wish to express our sincere thanks to the reviewers as well as to the members of the editorial board, especially to Professor Emeritus Adolphe Haberer and Professor J. Lachlan Mackenzie, who kindly accepted our invitation to become members of the editorial board – thus making our journal more international. We are also very grateful to Jason Blake for proofreading all the texts. Last but not least, a warm thank you to all contributors who, by deciding to publish their expert knowledge in the selected fields of interest, showed their trust and expressed their belief in the future of ELOPE. As editors we promise to put all our efforts into maintaining the quality of the journal and putting it on the map of internationally recognized publications.

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