



## Editorial

### Important Changes

We are leaving in a world of quick changes; “quick” means: quicker and quicker!

Journal of Optical Communications not only has to react on the changes, but we are forced to foresee them and to act in advance; therefore especially within the last months we had to make decisions to further improve the Journal and to give further good service to both our readers as well as to our authors.

The main change is, that from now on we only will accept manuscripts in a digital format. We will handle either pdf- or doc-files which can be transmitted by mail on a disk or can be sent via internet to [rthkersten@t-online.de](mailto:rthkersten@t-online.de). We are sorry but paper-version will be rejected in future in principle.

There will be another important change for our authors: We have to introduce a page charge in general which will be 30 US\$ per printed page. Publications without page charge will not be possible anymore. As a consequence to this we also will provide much quicker publication (which in the moment has in some cases gone up to 24 months which is not acceptable for both the authors as well as the readers).

The main changes can be seen on our web-site [www.joc-online.de](http://www.joc-online.de). We hope that you will understand these new conditions and will support the Journal also in future.

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