

## **The End and a Beginning**

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With this issue, my term as editor in chief of *AJPOR* is complete. It's been a privilege to serve as editor in chief, and I am very grateful for the opportunity to have served *AJPOR* in formal and informal positions since its start.

The end of my tenure is somewhat melancholic. *AJPOR* has been a part of my professional responsibilities for the past 10 years. During that time, I learned a lot about the value of public opinion research being conducted in Asia and the strength of Asian public opinion researchers. I am grateful for all that I learned from them. I will miss feeling that I'm part of the Asian public opinion research community.

*AJPOR* has come a long way since its first issue in November 2013. Sung Kyum Cho and Jantima Kheokao have provided strong leadership. Sarah Prusoff LoCascio has done a tremendous job as managing editor. The co-editors and reviewers have provided the intellectual rigor needed for the journal's success. However, the researchers who have published in *AJPOR* are the source of its success. To all, I thank you very much for making *AJPOR* the success that it is.

However, it's time for a new editor in chief. Beginning with the August issue, Kuang-Hui Chen will be the editor in chief. Professor Chen has been a coeditor and a contributor to *AJPOR*. He is a first-class scholar and a hard worker. *AJPOR* will benefit from his leadership.

To all - keep up the good work of advancing Asian public opinion research.

### **Biographical Note**

**John Kennedy** directed the Indiana University Center for Survey Research for 24 years. He also directed the University of Hartford Institute of Social Research for two years and was employed at the US Census Bureau for four years. He earned a PhD in sociology from Pennsylvania State University. He has been involved in the development of a number of professional journals and was the founding editor of *Survey Practice*, an e-journal published by the American Association for Public Opinion Research. He has also been actively involved in professional research ethics including chairing Indiana University Social Behavioral IRB for 12 years and he served on two committees that revised the American Sociological Associations Code of Ethics. He teaches a graduate course in Survey Design.

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