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Soaring Upwards with USM Press

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Education in Medicine Journal has gone through many changes since its inception in 2009 (1), for from an annual to examples quarterly publication, from manual to online submission and from local to international visibility (1-3). These changes took place to ensure the journal remains relevant to the educational community and readers either at local or international level.

The great news before the end year of 2015, January 2016 and onwards, Education in Medicine Journal will be published and managed by USM Press (www.penerbit.usm.my) – one of renowned publishers in Malaysia. So far, USM Press has published and managed 15 journals and the journals are indexed in various renowned databases, for examples one of the journals is indexed by ISI & Scopus, five of the journals are indexed by Scopus, and the rest journals are at least indexed by Google Scholar and EBSCO databases (4). As a result, several adjustments are expected to take place over next year such as (but not limited to):

• The manuscript submission system will be transferred to the ScholarOne

Submission System provided by Thomson Reuter – this system is expected to take place on March 2016. However, while waiting for the new submission system fully functions, manuscript submissions must be made through www.eduimed.com until further notice is announced.

- A new set of review criteria will be employed.
- The editorial and publication process will be synchronized with USM Press Journal Management System.
- The journal website will be transferred to a new website.
- The Editorial Board Members will be appointed by the Vice Chancellor of Universiti Sains Malaysia.
- Accepted articles will be proofread by American Journal Editors.
- Accepted articles will be the intellectual property of USM Press.

We hope that these efforts will be able to boost the visibility and credibility of Education in Medicine Journal as a reputable academic journal and to attract the best quality of scientific manuscripts for its submissions. In addition, the journal management team members are doing their best to ensure the transition process occurs smoothly with the least turbulence.

As the Editor in Chief, I look forward for this new journey and strongly believe that the journal is soaring upwards with USM Press. Apart from that, the journal is nowhere without the strong and relentless support from the authors, reviewers and readers. Last but not least, let us all take part in the new journey of Education in Medicine Journal! Your submissions are our priority.

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