EDITORIAL

One of the concerns of Education for Information is with information technology, including electronic journals. Computerizing the editorial process as well as providing online access to the journal’s contents is appealing. The prospect for faster dissemination of information should benefit readers, publishers and editors alike.

Education for Information has no intention of lagging behind in the application of technology. It must only be introduced, however, when it can offer advantages to the readership and not simply for its own sake. An electronic journal presupposes that publishers, editors, authors and readers all have ready access to appropriate equipment – online terminals, printers, telecommunication networks, etc. and that all the equipment is compatible. In the case of a journal like Education for Information which aims at a wide international readership neither the availability of equipment nor its compatibility can be assured. It would therefore be inappropriate to consider full electronic format for the journal at this juncture. When appropriate, however, new technology will be employed. The Calendar of Events is already compiled from a computerized database using word processing equipment to ensure that it is as up-to-date as possible.

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