International exchange – the sharing of expertise, professionalism, culture, and political views – was fostered at the World Federation of Occupational Therapy’s (WFOT) 11th World Congress. Over 2300 occupational therapy practitioners, students, and allied health professionals attended the largest-to-date international meeting for occupational therapy, held in London, April 17–22, 1994. Some papers presented there, are contained in this international issue; others come from networking with potential authors during my own international teaching experience.

I applaud an international exchange of knowledge and skills. One way for occupational therapy practitioners and members of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) to strengthen this international exchange is to join WFOT. Join WFOT when you renew your AOTA membership and receive the WFOT Bulletin, published twice a year, and participate in WFOT activities, for example, attend the international luncheon held annually at the AOTA conference or the 12th World Congress in 1998, in Montreal, Canada.

This issue heralds in the fifth year of WORK. We continue to rejoice in the creation of each issue and the exploration of its theme through articles containing innovative clinical practice, high-caliber research, editorial comments, and technology and book reviews. It is our hope that you have been enjoying reading WORK as much as we have in preparing it for you! I continue to look forward to your comments and now can be contacted throughout Internet at the following e-mail address: kjacob@acs.bu.edu.

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