A Word From the New Editors

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We’re ready. Despite the daunting task of following in the steps of editors whose work we deeply admire, we’re ready to take responsibility for pushing the analysis of human rights implementation in new directions. We anticipate increasing journal submissions – and, as a matter of course, analysis of human rights issues -- by advertising internationally, publishing articles in other languages with a side-by-side English translation, opening a section of the journal for quality articles by undergraduate students, and reaching out to authors whose environments do not include libraries, but rather day-to-day censorship. We want to promote books and films that our editors call to celebrate. Above all, we’ll continue the legacy of publishing quality articles that offer new, crucial insights into human rights philosophy, scholarship, strategy, and implementation. We know there is much more to do.

Drs. Blau, Brunsma, Iyall Smith, and Frezzo have done the hard work of creating and building a platform for expression that is accessible, rigorous, and sustainable. Needed now, perhaps more than ever, are submissions from the global community that glean important and new science-informed insights that produce knowledge. This knowledge is needed to empower all of us to create a social world that is more respectful, integrated, and just.

It is an honor to work with you as Societies Without Borders moves forward.