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A Note from the Editors

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This year was a challenging one at Ledger. The "crypto winter" set in, the pandemic continued, and many researchers' priorities shifted away from publishing and peer review and into basic survival mode. To find a silver lining, those things also gave us the space here at the journal to lay the groundwork for a brighter 2023.

We published a pair of strong papers. The first, "Coin Transfer Unlinkability Under the Counterparty Adversary Model," by Miyamae and Matsuura, furthers the conversation about privacy and personally-identifiable information in cryptocurrency transactions. The second, "HLF-Kubed: Blockchain-Based Resource Monitoring for Edge Clusters," by Tzenetopoulos et al., proposed a novel model for using blockchain technology to monitor resources on the Internet of Things. As ever, we are grateful to our authors for their contributions—without them, there is no journal.

We also performed our first job search. After months of interviews and hard work by the editorial team and the candidates, we can now proudly announce the arrival of our first Editor-in-Chief.

Starting in 2023, Prof. Dr. Claudio Tessone, Cofounder and Chair of the University of Zurich Blockchain Center and head of the UZH Blockchain & Distributed Ledger Technologies group, will serve as Ledger's first Editor-in-Chief. Prof. Tessone holds a PhD in physics and a Habilitation on complex socio-economic systems from ETH Zurich in the area of economics, management, and technology. He brings with him a wealth of knowledge and ambitious plans for the journal, and we look forward to seeing where his direction takes us.

Lastly, we would like to say thank you: to our sponsors, for helping us keep the lights on here at Ledger, and to our readers, for carrying us through the year.

Here's to 2023, and brighter days to come.

Sincerely,

Richard Ford Burley, Managing Editor
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