It is time to hand over the chairmanship of the IEEE-CS Technical Committee on Data Engineering. I took over from Erich Neuhold in 2007. I have had the pleasure of working with an oustanding TCDE Executive Committee comprised of Calton Pu, Thomas Risse, Erich Neuhold, Guy Lohman, Karl Aberer, Masaru Kitsuregawa, David Lomet and Yannis Ioannides.

TCDE has continued to sponsor several conferences and workshops related to data engineering. Our flagship conference, the International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE), has continued to grow in quality and attendance. Its workshop program has become very successful with eight to ten workshops co-located with the main conference. We have also, with the help of our excellent Editor in Chief Dave Lomet, continued the publication of the quarterly Bulletin on Data Engineering.

I would like to thank the members of the Executive Committee for their contributions and all members of the Technical Committee on Data Engineering for their support. I wish the new Chairman David Lomet all the best for the future and thank him for his willingness to take on the leadership of TCDE.