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Special Issue on ICEP09

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Friends & Fellow Researchers,

In the second part of the fall issue, we are pleased to introduce you the special issue on ICEP09 conference which was conducted at scenic city of Marrakech in Morocco in end September 2009. The conference was held on various themes relating to eCommerce, ePayments, eStrategies, eBanking. Authors have come from all continents like Amercias, Europe, Asia, and Africa. It was a great meeting of intellectuals working in related field.

JIBC was the proud supporter of the conference. As promised, we have chosen best papers from the conference after the careful peer-review process and decided to publish them for larger benefit of our readers. The special issue has 11 papers, most of them are in English but few of them are in French.

## Why Morocco and role of JIBC:

Many of our readers wrote to me asking why you have chosen conduct the conference in Morocco and what is the role of JIBC. Let me try to explain, we think Africa is next big opportunity waiting to be explored. We have run several articles in the past and in my previous editorials I have mentioned the big potential African economy has. That's why we have chosen to support the conference in Morocco which was organized by our partners Educasphere. The role of JIBC was to maintain the international academic standards of the papers & presentations. We (JIBC Editorial Board) have peer-reviewed all the papers before accepting them for the final reading in the conference. After the conference was over, we sat down again to choose the best papers to be published.

JIBC is continuously trying to support research activities in the developing nations by providing them academic support. Please note JIBC is a non-funded open-access journal which is run by volunteers from academia and published by Arraydev in Canada. We do not charge any fees or financial assistance to support the conference. If your university or organization wishes to organize a seminar/conference/meeting and need academic support from JIBC & its network, please feel free to contact either me or Mr. Nahum Goldmann, Publisher of JIBC.

Lastly, I wish to thank all those who were involve in the conference including Dr Abdellatif, Dr Tariq, Mr. Nahum, Dr Jean-Michel, Dr Jay Mitra, Dr Brian and Dr Robert for making the conference and this special issue a great success.

Educasphere has announced the 2010 version of ICEP10', hope to see some of you in Morocco again.

Regards,

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