With this first issue, we are very pleased to announce the launch of the *International Journal of Research in Mathematics Education* – RIPEM.

The journal aims to provide a vehicle where, internationally, become more well-known Brazilian scientific production. At the same time, RIPEM will offer space for scientists from different countries, in close contact with the researchers of mathematics education in Brazil. In both cases, a task of broadening the dialogue about the future of mathematics education.

In the dialectic of *local* and *global*, Brazilian researchers will have the challenge to systematize their work so that their research can be read and discussed in international centers; on the other hand, the foreign researchers to our culture, present their research seeing the most widely discussed.

In this first issue of the Journal have the collaboration of renowned researchers: the most important math Brazilian educator today, Professor Ubiratan D'Ambrosio; Daniel Clark Orey and Milton Rosa from the Federal University of Ouro Preto, in Minas Gerais; João Pedro da Ponte and Sandra Marques from the University of Lisbon; Maria Aparecida Viggiani Bicudo, State University of Sao Paulo, UNESP- Rio Claro, São Paulo. Finally, an important interview by Henrique Manuel Guimarães from the University of Lisbon, with Professor Jeremy Kilpatrick in his memories about Polya.

With RIPEM came to consensus on the type of journal to be launched by SBEM. A journal for teachers? A publication of research? As a congregation plural interested in mathematics education, the Brazilian Society of Mathematics Education should be varied, too, in their publications: *Boletim Eletrônico*, *Educação Matemática em Revista*, now the RIPEM are examples.

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We hope that the new International Journal of Research in Mathematics Education will serve the Mathematics Education community well and this journal will be the vehicle of presenting ideas and research work in the area. Any suggestion on how to improve our activity in order to deliver a better journal to the authors and readers of this journal will be always very much appreciated.