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# Message from the Director



*Dear Colleagues and Waves readers,*

*As it has been so during the last 6 years it is my pleasure to welcome you once more to this new issue of Waves.*

*Following the spirit initially conceived for Waves this issue presents some of the more salient results reported by ITEAM's researchers during the last year after a careful selection and peer-review process.*

*But, this edition is somehow special for two reasons. The first one is the inclusion, of an article that presents the technology and business model of Ephoox, one of the three spin-off companies created so far based on the technologies developed within ITEAM. Ephoox, is a high performance Microwave Photonics instrumentation company that seeks to provide measurement solutions to this emerging field with a particular emphasis on 5G fiber-wireless networks.*

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*The second reason is more of a personal character. I will be stepping down as ITEAM Director in a few days, so these will be my famous last words.....*

*It has been a pleasure and a true privilege to lead the institute and also to be enrolled in the exciting task of editing Waves during these years. I am in debt with the Deputy Directors Prof. Narcís Cardona, Prof. Gema Piñero and Prof. Ramón Miralles and with all group leaders and ITEAM researchers. They have made my life very easy and worked very hard to put ITEAM at the forefront fo UPV's research ranking during these years.*

*I am sure that the new Director and management team will continue to maintain and increase ITEAM's prestige and also strive to improve Waves in the following editions. I wish them the best of lucks and offer them by strongest support from day one.*

*Enjoy!*