

EDITORIAL: CYCLES AND TRANSITIONS

Cycles are one of the dominant themes we see in the world around us. Whether we consider natural environments or human systems, it is easy to find multiple good examples of environments and organizations undergoing regular or semi-regular ups and downs, booms and busts. Physical ecosystems see cycles, as do societies, cities, businesses, and even individuals. Cycles present challenges and even threats, but they also provide new opportunities for everyone involved.

Cycles and new opportunities are certainly also part of the development academic journals and *The Industrial Geographer*. The end of 2014 marks the conclusion of our time as editors of the *IG*, and the beginning of a new editorial period. We have grown through the experience of managing this journal, working with our various contributors, and considering and implementing new strategies. But at a certain point, any editorial team sees its ideas and perspectives become old and in need of refreshing. It is time for new leadership to take a look at what the *IG* is doing and where it needs to go to ensure future growth and success for the journal.

So please join us in welcoming **Charles (“Chuck”) Yeager** of Snow College in Utah (charles.yeager@snow.edu) as the new editor of the *IG*. Chuck brings a wealth of new perspectives and energy to the task, and we offer him our support and best

wishes as he takes on the editorial role and responsibility with the *IG*.

We thank the editorial board and the readership of the *IG* for the opportunity to fill the editorial role over the last several years. We know that the journal is in capable new hands with Chuck, and we look forward to seeing how the *IG* develops in the years ahead.

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