



## Editorial Announcements

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The current issue of *JA EI* represents a new development for our journal in that it is the first of a planned annual research reports issue to be published as the final fascicle of each volume. The development has already been warmly received and we feel that it will provide an added service to the community of scholars and students of Egyptian interconnections.

The updates regarding recent, in-progress, and planned work provide researchers an opportunity to share "news" of what is being worked on, where, and by whom. As may be seen in the current fascicle, the updates range from summaries of recent archaeological field seasons with interconnection-relevant finds to the announcement of recent or forthcoming publications, conferences, etc. – anything that will help those working in the area of Egyptian interconnections to stay updated. We feel that this sharing of news will provide the opportunity for increased communication between researchers in our field, for more sharing of data, and ultimately, for increased collaboration between individuals working on similar or related projects. It is our hope that this initiative will help accomplish these worthwhile goals.

The first fascicle of *JA EI* volume 5 – which is expected to appear at the beginning of March 2013 – will be a special issue devoted to invited papers on seafaring and maritime interconnections. Issue 5:2 is planned as a regular fascicle for which general contributions may be submitted up to April 1, 2013, and 5:3 will be another specially themed issue devoted to connections between ancient Cyprus and Egypt. Finally, as explained above, *JA EI* 5:4 is being planned as a research reports and updates issue. Together, these issues should contain a great amount of material of particular interest regarding ancient interconnections.

Scholars wishing to contribute material to the next regular issue of *JA EI* are asked to consult the "Guide for Contributors" (which can be downloaded from the link in the Table of Contents of this issue) or to send an email to [JA EI@egypt.arizona.edu](mailto:JA EI@egypt.arizona.edu) for further information.

The Editors