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## **Editorial**

The present volume of *Desalination and Water Treatment* includes a small selection of the large number of papers presented during the last AQUA 2008 International Conference on "Water Science and Technology — Integrated Water Resources Management", which was held October 16–19, 2008 in Athens, Greece. This conference continues a series of previous successful conferences, held almost every other year in Athens, which are closely connected with an International Fair presenting relevant equipment, processes and services.

The selected articles were reviewed by two additional independent experts. These articles refer only to certain aspects of the conference, although they still cover a wide spectrum of water issues, i.e. from the determination of various pollutants in fresh and marine waters, to assessing the overall quality of natural and drinking waters, as well as different processes and technologies applied for the removal of pollutants and improvement of the quality of all types of waters, including wastewaters and sludges.

The guest editors hope that this volume provides a small overview of recent research efforts in Greece on issues relevant to water quality, as well as to wastewater treatment and management. The guest editors are profoundly thankful to the Editor of *Desalination and Water Treatment*, Prof. Miriam Balaban, for providing this opportunity for publication.

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