

## EDITORIAL. SCIRES-IT: A “CLASS A” JOURNAL

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### Abstract

This short Editorial focuses on the inclusion of SCIRES-IT SCientific REsearch and Information Technology Journal in “Class A” as ranked by ANVUR - Italian National Agency for the Evaluation of Universities and Research Institutes.

### Keywords

SCIRES-IT, Editorial, ANVUR, “Class A” Journal, Journal Rating, Open Access Journal, Eco-sustainable publications

### 1. Introduction

We are very happy and proud to share with everyone the achievement of such an important goal: the Italian National Agency for the Evaluation of Universities and Research Institutes - ANVUR has inserted SCIRES-IT - SCientific REsearch and Information Technology Journal among the “Class A” journal for the Area 08 - Architecture.

Obviously this achievement is the result of the work and the commitment of a group of people to whom our sincere gratitude goes: the Editorial Team, the Reviewers and the Authors.

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### 2. Classification of “Scientific” and “Class A” journals

“The rating of scientific journals is carried out by ANVUR for the purpose of calculating the indicators used for the National Scientific Habilitation, starting from 2012, and for the purpose of accreditation of PhD programmes (requirement A4.3), starting from the 32th cycle (academic year 2017-18).

The relevant legislation introduced journal ratings only for the scientific fields identified as “not bibliometric” (that is, where citation analysis is not appropriate), namely:

- Architecture (Area 08)
- Antiquities, philology, literary studies, art history (Area 10)
- History, philosophy and pedagogy (Area 11)
- Law (Area 12)
- Economics and Statistics (Area 13)
- Political and social sciences (Area 14).

For the remaining scientific fields no journal rating is provided by ANVUR<sup>1</sup>.

The classification includes two groups, class A Journals, comparable to bibliometric journals of higher quartile (Q1), and scientific journals, comparable to bibliometric journals of less elevated quartile (Q2 or less).

SCIRES-IT has fully passed the evaluation foreseen by the “Regulations for the Classification of Journals in non-bibliometric areas” for the inclusion in the list of “Scientific” and “Class A” journals.

SCIRES-IT has been included by ANVUR since 2013 in the list of “Scientific” journals for the areas 08, 10, 11, 13 and 14, and in 2018 it was also ranked as a “Class A” journal in the area 08 - Architecture.

SCIRES-IT, e-ISSN 2239-4303, is an eco-sustainable Open Access Journal, founded in 2011. It is a peer-reviewed journal, available

<sup>1</sup> ANVUR: Rating of Scientific Journals.

<http://www.anvur.it/en/activities/rating-of-scientific-journals/>.

online on a semi-annual basis, and it is covered by various indexing and abstracting databases. (Proietti & Valzano, 2011; Valzano, 2014).

Since 2015, it has also been indexed in Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI) - a new database within the Web of Science – and, since 2017, in SCOPUS, the largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature, such as scientific journals, books and conference proceedings. (Boero & Lucarella, 2018).

### 3. Conclusion

As a conclusion we would like to remember that SCIRES-IT has achieved, in a few years, a very high scientific level, adhering to Best Practice and high publishing standards.

SCIRES-IT, active since 2011, has maintained its fundamental objectives and its policy, thus achieving excellent results in both national and

international scientific fields (Boero & Lucarella, 2018).

SCIRES-IT does not require authors to pay any APCs (Article submission or Processing Charges) for submission or publication of articles, and it has no financial contribution.

The Editorial Team has been working without any financial support, with remarkable generosity, sustained by great passion only.

Hence, we would like to dedicate to all the members the ANVUR “Class A” achievement.

Effective immediately, the 2nd issue of Volume 8, 2018, SCIRES-IT has a new URL address: <http://www.sciresit.it/>.

However, the journal is also accessible on the old address (<http://caspur-ciberpublishing.it>) and all the old links will remain active.

The automatic redirection to the old address will be maintained as long as possible.

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