Editorial Introduction – GROUP 2022 First Wave

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For over a quarter century, GROUP has offered a premier yet intimate and welcoming venue for agenda-setting, diverse research. Although the traditional focus of the conference is on supporting group work, it has expanded to include research from computer-supported cooperative work, sociotechnical studies, practice-centered computing, human-computer interaction, computer-supported collaborative learning, participatory technology design, and other related areas.

The work presented in this issue embodies that interdisciplinary ethos. Papers in this issue deal with domains ranging from crowd-based collaboration, to social media use and non-use, to collaborative machine learning, to social norms and ethics. This issue also continues the tradition of design fiction at GROUP.

This issue of PACM:HCI brings you papers from the 2022 ACM Conference on Supporting Group Work (GROUP 2022). Typically, the GROUP conference occurs every two years. However, research developments do not necessarily follow conference deadline cycles. Thus, GROUP 2022 offers authors the opportunity to submit to one or both of two separate waves. Authors submitted contributions to the first wave in August 2020, and the accepted submissions are published in this issue. By the time this issue is available online, authors will have submitted to the second wave in May 2021, and the review process will be well underway.

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We feel compelled to note that the papers in this issue were authored, and reviewed, during the COVID-19 pandemic. The numerous challenges facing humanity right now seem at times overwhelming. Not only does this issue represent commendable volumes of hard work and diligence – from the authors, the reviewers, the program committee members, and the conference organizers. This issue’s existence is also a testament to the resilience of this community and our commitment to each other.

While each of us faces our own individual struggles, we also struggle collaboratively and collectively. It is this group work that makes GROUP the unique venue it is.