Editors’ Foreword

The Journal of Conscientiology is an open forum of discussion which is intended to be an instrument for updating IIPC members, the general public, and the scientific community on consciousness research.

This first edition presents us with the glossary of conscientiological terms and the list of research areas of conscientiology, which we hope will support and encourage those who are unfamiliar with the specific terminology of this science.

We, the editors, find ourselves with a great challenge when it is necessary to translate the material from its original source. There is an Italian saying: “tradutori, traditori” which means: “translator, traitor”. It is a difficult task to translate not only the words but also the author’s style or tone of the work, especially in this field. So, one must remember to consider the cultural differences while reading these texts.

Consciousness, in conscientiology’s writings, is usually referred to as “the” consciousness. This is done on purpose, since this word is used to mean the individual essence per se (popularly called self, soul, spirit) and not the state of consciousness, as in being aware.

The launching of the Journal of Conscientiology coincides with the IIPC’s 10th anniversary. During its first decade the Institute has gathered 99 multidisciplinary researchers, 197 instructors, and a team of 635 volunteers.

Projectiology was first disseminated to the public in 1981, when Dr. Waldo Vieira published his first book, *Projections of the Consciousness*, on the subject of out-of-body experiences. Five years later, Vieira published the result of more than 25 years of research in the scholarly work *Projectiology - An Overview of the Experiences of the Consciousness Outside of the Human Body*. The publishing of
this treatise established the ground for the foundation of the International Institute of Projectiology in 1988.

Over the last 10 years, IIPC has realized several major national and international events, beginning with the First International Congress of Projectiology in 1990. During this period the Institute also published the scholarly book *700 Conscientiology Experiments* and several other works. In addition, the decade has seen the international expansion of the Institute, with the establishment of offices in Barcelona, Buenos Aires, Lisbon, London, Miami, New York, and Ottawa.

To facilitate and accelerate the research, in 1995 IIPC started the construction of the Center for Higher Studies of the Consciousness (CHSC) in Iguassu Falls, Brazil. The Center will have one of the largest libraries in the world on the subject of consciousness research. Presently the IIPC is also investing in the construction of a campus in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The IIPC Campus Project is a result of the Institute’s focused prioritization on pedagogic work. It will enhance the consciential programs, reaching the highest possible number of individuals.

The Journal of Conscientiology will function as the official means of communication for the sciences of Conscientiology and Projectiology, linking researchers worldwide. *JC* will also disseminate the results of the investigations performed in the aforementioned research centers.

We invite every reader to participate in this task by sending ideas, suggestions, comments and submitting articles.