

# *Beyond Boundaries: Advancing Design Thinking Through Dialogue and Global Scholarship*

## *Editor-in-Chief Note*

It is my great pleasure to present the latest issue of the *Journal of Design Thinking* (JDT), an open-access, peer-reviewed platform dedicated to advancing scholarship at the intersection of design, creativity, and innovation. As a journal committed to fostering interdisciplinary dialogue, JDT continues to serve as a meeting ground for researchers, practitioners, and educators who seek to explore the evolving landscape of design thinking and its applications.

In an era defined by complexity and rapid transformation, design thinking has emerged as a valuable approach to addressing "wicked problems" through human-centered, creative, and iterative processes (Buchanan, 1992). It not only bridges disciplines but also connects theory with practice, enabling meaningful innovation across diverse contexts. JDT seeks to contribute to this ongoing international discourse by publishing rigorous research, critical reflections, and applied studies that deepen our understanding of design thinking, design cognition, and design methodologies (Cross, 2006).

As an international journal, JDT is committed to transcending geographical and intellectual boundaries in the production and dissemination of knowledge. We believe that meaningful advances in design research emerge through dialogue across cultures, perspectives, and academic traditions. By bringing together contributions from diverse regions of the world, the journal seeks to foster a more inclusive and interconnected scholarly community—one in which knowledge is enriched through exchange, collaboration, and mutual learning.

This issue reflects the diversity and depth of contemporary design research. The contributions presented here engage with a wide range of themes—from sustainability and emerging technologies to social innovation and design education—demonstrating the breadth of inquiry that characterizes our field. Collectively, these studies illustrate the continuing relevance of design thinking in addressing contemporary challenges and generating new knowledge (Dorst, 2011).

As Editor-in-Chief, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our authors for their thoughtful contributions, to our reviewers for their dedication and scholarly rigor, and to our editorial team for their continued commitment to excellence. Their collective efforts are fundamental to maintaining the quality, integrity, and academic standards of the journal.

We remain committed to strengthening JDT's role as an international forum for advancing design research and fostering meaningful scholarly exchange. We warmly invite researchers, educators, and practitioners from around the world to contribute their work and join us in shaping the future of design thinking.

Sincerely,  
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