

Taylor & Francis is delighted to welcome Professor Janet McDonnell as the new Editor-in-Chief of *CoDesign: International Journal of CoCreation in Design and the Arts*. Founding Editor-in-Chief Stephen Scrivener, of the Chelsea College of Art and Design, University of the Arts London, is stepping down after five years of leadership that have seen the journal develop as a consistently popular platform for the dissemination of innovative research within the design field. Taylor & Francis would like to thank Stephen for his hard work and look forward to a continued relationship as he remains with the journal in an advisory capacity.

From the Central Saint Martins College of Art and Design, University of the Arts London, Janet has previously acted as Co-Editor of *CoDesign*. She brings a wealth of experience and knowledge from a background including places at Imperial College London and Kingston University London. Janet is a member of the AHRC peer review college and reviews research proposals for the EPSRC. She has also served as a panel member for the TSB.

Janet's primary research focus is the study of design and other professional work as it takes place in natural settings where many competing practical pressures are at play. Notable amongst her publications is *About: Designing: Analysing Design Meetings*, edited in collaboration with Peter Lloyd. The book's 21 contributions present a breadth of methodological positions, research backgrounds and design disciplines, including architecture, product design, engineering, applied linguistics, communication studies, cognitive psychology, and discourse studies.

Janet will be attending ICED'09 at Stanford University, 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> August 2009, where copies of *CoDesign* and *About: Designing* will be on display at the Taylor & Francis exhibition stand. Comments from and discussion with members of the community, whether they are already readers of and contributors to *CoDesign* or interested in learning more, will be very welcome.