



## Message from the CEO

For The Triple Helix, 2008 brings with it a variety of interesting projects and opportunities. One of our main goals for the New Year is to encourage more collaboration and intellectual discussion between individual chapters within the Triple Helix network. These efforts will begin with the first-ever TTH event designed to bring members from different chapters together in one place to share their scholarly work. We are pleased to announce that TTH authors will present eighteen unique pieces of research in an exclusive poster session at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), taking place in Boston this February. We hope that this event will not only establish a tradition of TTH interacting with the larger academic community, but also stimulate the flow of ideas within the student membership.

I am confident that great things will come from collaboration between our students at chapters around the world. As we continue to establish our science policy division, the cultural diversity of our member universities will serve to educate TTH members and general audiences alike in the significant similarities and differences that characterize public attitudes towards science in different regions. We aim to spark discussion and provide factual analysis of the issues that will affect our society— with a rapidly changing world and with so many new scientific advances, it is essential that we understand what is at stake.

Sincerely,  
 Manisha Bhattacharya  
 Chief Executive Officer  
 The Triple Helix

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### Why do we write?

Members of TTH spend months researching their chosen topic, writing and revising drafts, and collaborating with editorial leadership to present a sophisticated analysis, including perspectives from technical sciences, social sciences, and the humanities. Amidst the many other scholarly commitments required of undergraduates, why do these students make the extra effort to participate in our rigorous literary cycle?

Students who join TTH understand that perhaps more than in most fields, leadership in science and technology stands to benefit immensely from cross-disciplinary analysis. Their intellectual investigations, published here and discussed at campuses across the world signify a larger movement towards undergraduates gaining expertise in multiple subjects. We are proud to host the English majors studying Biology, the Physics majors with a passion for law, and the many others poised to change the way we examine and answer what used to be exclusively scientific questions. To our students, working towards such a goal is certainly worth the extra effort.



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