The 2020 Journal Grade Table of the National Science Library, Chinese Academy of Sciences was officially published on December 17, 2020. The International Journal of Agricultural and Biological Engineering (IJABE) has been listed in Grade 2 of the 2020 Grade Table of global high-quality journals indexed by JCR edited by Chinese Academy of Sciences. According to the 2020 Journal Grade Table based on the “Chinese SCI Journal Evaluation Scheme” and Web of Science’s Impact Factor (IF) to evaluate journals proposed by Garfield in 1972, edited by National Science Library, Chinese Academy of Sciences, the three-year average Impact Factor (IF) of IJABE reaches 1.449. IJABE's three-year average IF reaches 1.449, ranking in Grade 2 (top 6%-20%) of the category of Agricultural and Forestry Sciences Journals. The quality and impact are often highly recognized when the journal is listed in Grade 2 because it locates in the top 20% of the same category of journals indexed by SCI in the globe. The Journal Grade Table is a scientific research achievement conducted by the National Science Library, Chinese Academy of Sciences since 2004.

In 2020, IJABE Editorial Office led by Dr. Prof. Wang Yingkuan, Editor-in-Chief of IJABE and Executive Secretary General of CSAE, worked hard to win the fight against COVID-19 to stay healthy and safe, published six issues with 182 high-quality papers at the acceptance rate of 28%. All the IJABE papers published in 2020 have been indexed and abstracted by Web of Science Core Collection and the other famous indexing databases in a timely manner. The total number of DOI resolutions of IJABE papers in the past 12 months from January 2020 to January 2021 reached 31215, with increasing international resolution. One of the encouraging highlights lies in the WeChat Official Account of IJABE has been started in March 2020. Up to date, 33 items including abstracts in Chinese of IJABE papers either translated by editorial office or provided by authors were published IJABE WeChat. IJABE WeChat also published the 2020 IJABE Table of Contents in Chinese, conference news and other related messages. We are pleased to have about 900 WeChat users of IJABE. We hope WeChat Official Account of IJABE will serve as a more timely and efficient platform for scholarly exchange and cooperation.

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On this new year, I sincerely wish you happiness, cheerfulness, and success in the upcoming year 2021. I wish you a healthy, wealthy and prosperous Year of the Ox. Happy Chinese Lunar New Year! I hope that good fortune follows you wherever you go.

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