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## SAGE TO PUBLISH HUMAN FACTORS ON THE BEHALF OF THE HUMAN FACTORS AND ERGONOMICS SOCIETY

Los Angeles, London, New Delhi, Singapore and Washington DC (October 28, 2008) – SAGE, the world's fifth-largest journals publisher, is pleased to announce that it will become the publisher of *Human Factors:* The Journal of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society beginning in January 2009.

The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society (HFES) is a multidisciplinary professional association of professionals, including psychologists and other behavioral scientists, engineers, and designers, all of whom have a common interest in designing systems and equipment to be safe, usable, useful, and comfortable for the people who operate and maintain them.

"The Executive Council of the Society explored publishing and marketing opportunities that would enhance the impact, circulation, and influence of *Human Factors* while maintaining the core goals of the Society," said Paul Green, HFES President. "We chose SAGE as our publishing partner because of our shared values and purpose, and because of its reputation in scholarly publishing as a growing company that focuses on teamwork with editors and societies."

The peer-reviewed *Human Factors* is the Society's flagship publication, and members receive the journal as a benefit of membership. It has enjoyed increases in article submissions, online usage, and subscriptions in recent years. The journal has a 1.113 Impact Factor for 2007 and is ranked 4th out of 13 titles in ergonomics and 29th out of 57 applied psychology journals.

"SAGE looks forward to working closely with HFES to build on its success and to help it achieve outreach and marketing goals for the Society and the journal," said Jayne Marks, SAGE Vice President of Journals. "Human Factors is a strategic addition to our journals publishing program, and we anticipate a long and mutually beneficial relationship."

The first SAGE issue of *Human Factors: The Journal of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society* (ISSN 0018-7208, published bimonthly) will be released in February 2009.

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Since 1957, **The Human Factors and Ergonomics Society** has been promoting the discovery and exchange of knowledge concerning the characteristics of human beings that are applicable to the design of systems, facilities, and devices of all kinds to make them safe, usable, useful, and comfortable for the people who operate and maintain them. This include cockpits, control rooms, chairs, hand tools, medical devices, phones, toys, web sites—almost anything where there is a human interface and work is to be accomplished. <a href="http://www.hfes.org">http://www.hfes.org</a> *People-friendly design through science and engineering*