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Dear Prof.V.M.Shalaev, dear Vlad,

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After many years of service you are leaving from our editorial board of Applied Physics B. You have witnessed and helped shape scientific transformations of the field Lasers and Optics reflected in the never ending stream of submissions.

On behalf of the publisher, the Springer Verlag, and on behalf of all colleagues of the editorial board and offices of *Applied Physics B* we would like to warmly thank you for your engagement for the high-quality profile of our journal.

Since your editorial service has ended we would like to take the opportunity to wish you good luck and success for your scientific and your private affairs. We hope for your continued and enthusiastic support of Applied Physics, as a reader, author, or even as reviewer.

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With our best wishes,

Thorsten Schneider and Dieter Meschede