

Editor's note

Dear authors, reviewers, readers and colleagues,

On behalf of the Editorial Board, let me start with expressing our great appreciation to our authors, reviewers and readers who contributed to our scientific activities during 2019. Owing to the increasing number of papers we had to engage many reviewers who, with their valuable comments and recommendations, contributed to the highly improved final publication. We are also very happy to notice that the number of citations of the papers published increased significantly, following the growing number of papers, which means that we were successful in creating high quality papers and disseminating scientific knowledge.

Similarly to previous year, we published 11 best papers from the Conference *Digitomics – Economics of digital transformation* which was held in the period June 3 – 5, 2019. The main topic of the Conference was Smart government, regions and cities and we received number of interesting papers on macroeconomic issues but also related to the booming field of smart cities. We are delighted to publish the contribution of Robert J. Barro, Paul M. Warburg Professor of Economics, Harvard University on effects of taxes on macroeconomic growth, applied to U.S. economy. We are also very grateful to our Guest editor Marinko Škare, Editor-in-Chief of the well-known journal *Economic Research*, published by University of Pula, Croatia. In addition, we published 8 papers based on regular issue, which means that this issue consist of, in total, 19 papers. We are also very happy to observe the contributions by the authors from across Europe, the USA, Mexico and South Africa.

Furthermore, we are delighted to announce our annual Conference which will be held in Opatija within the period of June 24 – 26, 2020. The central topic of the Conference will be ***“Fiscal and monetary policy at the crossroads”***. We are looking forward to high quality papers that focus their research efforts on contemporary state of fiscal and monetary interactions in the light of “new normal”, or historically favourable monetary conditions and, still, high levels of fiscal spending and public debt across the globe. We are also inviting stellar academic keynotes whose names will be announced in due time. In the meantime, you can register and apply to the Conference at the web page: www.edt-conference.com. Following success of the 2019, we are organizing special session on ***“Transdisciplinary approaches to the smart city debate”*** with an aim to inspire more transdisciplinary research and scientific cooperation in order to overcome increasing complexity of the smart city debate.

As always, we would like to invite our future authors, reviewers and partners to contribute to our efforts and cooperate with us. We are truly open to your comments, suggestions, invitations and cooperation proposals.

In the light of our joint venture in 2019, we would like to keep up with our fruitful cooperation and contribute to academic prosperity in 2020. All the best!