

## FOREWORD GUEST EDITOR

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Dear Colleagues,

(readers, authors, reviewers, International Editorial Board, Editor-in-Chief and Editors)

This time, the foreword begins with special thanks to the collaborators of the journal, who through their hard work brought their contribution to a new issue of the *UTMS Economic Journal*.

I would also like to thank the authors for their scientific work on various economic issues and congratulate them on succeeding to pass the process of double-blind peer review. Furthermore, special thanks also go to reviewers for their thorough work, suggestions and observations that undoubtedly contribute to the general quality of this Journal.

The articles published in this issue, address a variety of topics, and are consistent with the aims and scope of this multidisciplinary economic journal. This issue consists of ten articles with topics regarding: financial markets, money and interest rates; financial forecasting, financing policy, risk estimation on stock market; human capital, labour market and vulnerability of Generation Z; indicators for defining the emitting area of tourism; welfare, well-being and poverty; income segregation, social protection benefits; gender equality and equal standards in EU countries; sustainable development and economic performance linked together with museums competitiveness; a topic referring to tourism economics, dealing with influence of tourism infrastructure on tourist satisfaction; and finally, the latest article is on tourism development through sports events with and related opportunity of economic growth. I hope you will find them all to be interesting topics and a pleasure to read!

I will not conclude without mentioning that I am particularly honoured to have been invited to be the Guest Editor of this issue, (*Volume 9, Number 1, 2018*) representing not only myself, but also my University and my country. The UTMS Economic Journal is becoming more and more a reference of economic literature in South-Eastern and Eastern Europe, and it is a great joy and pleasure to contribute to it. Finally, I would like to thank the *Editor-in-Chief, Professor Zoran Ivanovic, PhD*; for this opportunity. This year, Professor Ivanovic and I celebrate fifteen years of our long-term professional friendship, and what better way to do this through collaborating on this volume? Also, I support many others years of close collaboration on professional level from now on!

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