

EDITORIAL

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With its recent issue, the Journal of Turkology Researches is celebrating its 16th anniversary. Since its first publication, 550 articles by 336 scientists have been published in this journal, and this number does not include the “Editorials”, some of which are related to the topics on specific problems of the Turkish world. 27 of them carry the signatures of two or three people. The total number of pages in each issue has reached 9870 now.

As explained before, TÜBAR gives place to all topics on Turkology Studies. The fact that the pioneers of our journal are from the department of Turkish Language and Literature has not interfered with the scope thereof, limiting it with only philology; instead, the journal offers articles in the other fields of Turkology as well. TÜBAR’s field of interest is so broad to cover all aspects of social sciences, such as the history, philosophy, sociology, history of science, ethnology, ethnography, and history of religions. However, most of the articles published are –naturally- concerned with the Turkish language and literature in Turkey. Most studies on Turkish language, literature, ethnography and history in the other countries are carried out as a subject of research by the scientists living in Turkey. Indeed, we wish to see TÜBAR offering samples from the studies of the scientists, who are living abroad but working in the same fields. Nevertheless, the fact that those authors have been brought up under a different tradition of “creating scientific texts” causes certain constraints in the process of revision (arbitration).

Although the 13th and 27th issues were published as “Special Editions” on Teaching Turkish, we still receive a significant

number of articles from the academicians working in this field. Yet, some of these articles are written on topics of educational sciences in general, rather than “teaching Turkish”. We also see that they are too voluminous. For these reasons, we are sorry to admit that we will not be able to offer a big place to this kind of articles in our next issues.

With regard to scientific studies, the Journal of Turkology Researches has raised the bar in each new issue, and we have full confidence in ourselves that we will continue to raise this bar higher and higher.

We hope to meet you again with much more improved and mature issues...

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