

Editor's Note

To the Respected Readers of IGUJSS;

Contributing to the production of knowledge and creation of value; be a qualified reference source in academic publishing; and giving priority to ecological, economic and social sustainability are the primary goals of our young journal. Since the day of its first issue, the editorial teams of the *IGUJSS* has unconditionally believed that these goals can only be achieved through respect for freedom of science and freedom of speech as well as unconditional commitment to the ethical codes of research and publication. As the new editorial team, we are excited to take over the editorial duty of the *Istanbul Gelişim University Journal of Social Sciences* and we will walk to the goals of the journal by strictly adhering to the publishing policies and principles of our journal, just as our predecessors did before.

Along with April 2018 issue, changes have been made in the editorial board of the *IGUJSS*, members of the advisory board, in the design of its cover and content, in the publication and reviewer procedures, and in the citation system used. Some of these changes have been made with aesthetic concerns some others in order to take advantage of the opportunities provided by technological changes, and others in order to be a journal to be followed by the most esteemed indexes that we have aimed for decisively. The members of our publishing team have spent a lot of effort to realize the noted changes. We are grateful to each one individually.

Turkey's contribution to world scientific knowledge production in social sciences is still modest. Good quality academic journals provide an opportunity to increase production and dissemination of knowledge and value, to interdisciplinary and inter-school debate, to systemize and filter the information. Therefore, we see good quality academic journals as an opportunity to contribute both to universal knowledge production and to the development of our country's science. With this understanding, we take over the task of editing the Istanbul Gelişim University Journal of Social Sciences. We thank our colleagues who have successfully served the journal before us for their valuable contributions.

**On behalf of the Editorial
and Publication Team Members
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