

From the Editor

Esteemed readers,

We are more than happy to reach you again with December 2020 issue of *Tokat Journal of ilmiyat* and to see our journal is started to be scanned by ULAKBİM TR index. Our journal has been continuing its journey in the field of periodicals by gradually increasing its quality in every issue thanks to devoted, rigorous and diligent efforts of our new and strong publishing team since 2019 and getting one step closer to its targets towards becoming a quality and distinguished journal at national and international standards. Efforts made by our team at every stage have brought along the preliminary favourable results and our magazine has been started to be scanned by ULAKBİM TR Index. We endeavour further to ensure that our journal is scanned by international indexes.

Every achievement is an output of great and devoted efforts. We have once again found ourselves in an intensive working schedule within the past six months together with our team. In particular our editor, assistant editor and managing editor as well as field and language editors, authors, referees, peers, editorial board members who make final re-

views, redaction and layout team have made wholehearted efforts and contributions to publication of our journal and reaching it to you. Our journal sets a concrete example of issuing a quality and scientific journal depending on collaborative and devoted team work. We strongly believe that our journal published based on efforts and contributions of our energetic team who have the goods will take and continue to take its place in the academic world with many other quality issues.

The fact that our journal is started to be scanned by TR index gives us an important mission for more quality and responsible publishing. For this reason, articles will be subjected to a more attentive preliminary review primarily by our editorial board within the frame of certain criteria and scoring for the next issues and then it will be decided whether the article will be included in publication process. Maximum effort will be made to ensure that authentic, unique articles that include novel knowledge and findings and contribute to science are published in our journal while studies that state the obvious, find out the already endangered and feature no more than a repetition are not given place in the journal. In this regard, authors are expected to send us their novel, authentic, up-to-date and qualified studies which are works of elbow grease.

Authors sent 30 articles and 2 book reviews for this issue of our journal. Out of these articles; 5 of them were returned by editorial board, 5 were refused at refereeing process, 16 articles and 2 book reviews were approved for publication and 4 articles were left to the next issue since the procedures are still continued for them. This issue includes 1 article on Interpretation/Religious Sociology, 2 articles on Hadith, 2 articles on Islamic Law, 1 article on Arabic Language and Rhetoric, 1 article on Mysticism, 1 article on Religious Education, 1 article on Islamic Philosophy, 1 article on History of Philosophy, 1 article on Sociology of Religion, 1 article on Sociology, 1 article on the Science of Logic, 1 article on History of Religions and 2 book reviews. One of the articles is in Arabic while the others are in Turkish.

I would like to extend my gratitude to our publishing team, authors, referees, members of editorial board who made great efforts and contributions at every stage of publication of our journal, to our estimable readers and to our Rectorate and Deanship staff who provided full support to us. May the pandemic we have been going through end and may 2021 bring us all the best.

Looking forward to meeting with you with the next issue...

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