

## A Foreword from the Editor

It is my great pleasure to present the inaugural issue of *Journal of Politics, Economy, and Management (JOPEM)*: an interdisciplinary peer-reviewed academic journal of a new kind published bi-annually by the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences in Mustafa Kemal University. The *JOPEM* provides a platform for academics, practitioners and policymakers to share their research.

A double-blind peer-review method is used in the acceptance of manuscripts, and compilations, conceptual discussions, empirical and applied research manuscripts are accepted for publication. With its broad scope bridging a wide variety of subjects, the journal is dedicated to the advancement of novel empirical research and spread of scientific knowledge. Thus we accept manuscripts in the fields of economics, business administration, political science, public administration, international relations, finance, industrial relations, information systems and management, econometrics and other subjects related to these topics. The language for such manuscripts could be either Turkish or English.

As part of the inauguration of *JOPEM* I am delighted that the authors who have submitted articles demonstrated an interest to share their research with the readers of this journal. In addition, I would like to thank the people who contributed to the inauguration of the first issue a few months after the launch of the Journal, especially the editorial board of *JOPEM*, the staff in our Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences, and many others. The last, but not the least my thanks go to the publishing team of our Journal, whose members put a lot of time and energy into this enterprise.

We hope you will enjoy the format and content of the *JOPEM*'s first issue. Encouraging many more authors to submit manuscripts in the following issues, we hope that this first issue arouses our readers' interest so that the articles published in *JOPEM* may motivate new research ideas. If you have any feedback, please do let us know.

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