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FROM THE EDITOR

In the ninth issue of Moment, we meet with our readers with the theme of highly neglected subject, Philosophy of Communication. In this issue, we were expecting a limited amount of manuscript inflow, based upon an assumption that it has been studied rarely. We were wrong. With rigorous and careful work of the theme editors and the reviewers, we present the peer-reviewed works which are approved to be published among submitted manuscripts, to your interest.

Moment has been indexed in international field index Erih Plus since February 2018, we think this contributed to an increase in manuscript submission inflow to the journal. Besides, we have been in DOAJ international database since April 2018. After we have started to be indexed in the national database ULAKBIM, we proceeded to work intensively for our internationalization aim. We didn't want Moment to be a journal which is enclosed in Turkey with limited number of readers. Right from the beginning, a journal that catches up with the international agenda of the academy with its up-to-date topics and reaches a wider audience has been our goal. In the forthcoming days, we will make our application to SCOPUS. We will start a two-year follow-up process. There are very few social science journals from Turkey in SCOPUS, where journals of physical sciences and medicine are predominant. It would be pleasure for us if we can contribute to a change. Likewise, our application to Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI) which has been made on February 2018, is also under two-year assessment process. We have also worked on our publication ethics in the last two months. We have elaborated our ethical guidelines. We are waiting for the result of our COPE (Committee on Publication Ethics) application process.

Another update is, we're in Dergipark now. Our journal's own website will still be online. But all the manuscript admission and evaluation procedures will be processed

via Dergipark. Dergipark brings together all the peer-reviewed journals in Turkey on a common platform. Besides, it contributes them being more accessible and more visible.

There are also changes in Moment's Editorial Board. Assoc. Prof. Aslı Telli Aydemir (University of Siegen) and Dr. Ümit Çetin (University of Westminster) have joined our team.

We would also like to say a few words about Moment talks which have been organized by Moment for a while now. In Turkey's academic environment which is becoming arid, we have wanted Moment not to remain just as an academic journal; we have wanted it to be a discussion platform that establishes a contact with its contributors and readers. We think we took a step for it with Moment Journal Talks. As a cultural studies journal, we produce our academic curiosity and questions from within the society, the street, everyday life and experience. At the same time, we are nourished by this living, transforming movement, and growing and spreading with it. Being able to understand and interpret the spirit of the age requires a dialogical relationship between the social sciences and the street, ordinary human experience. In the pursuit of such relationship, as Moment Journal, we care for both unlimited, open access to academic production and confrontation of this knowledge with life. Therefore, we have started to organize the Moment Talks, where we bring the academy with the street and opened them up for discussion since November 2017. In three meeting events we have organized until this day, editors and authors of the Migration, Women's Narratives and Memory themes reopened up their works for discussion. Starting from our first meeting event we have seen that the relationship established by the academy with the street is welcomed with great interest and academic production is being reproduced in these meetings, moreover reciprocally. This dialogical relationship is one of the cornerstones of our aim to create beneficial outcomes for humanity, which we have defined in the context of our open access policy as Moment Journal, while addressing the street and the academy to each other.

Let us leave you with our Philosophy of Communication issue without furthering our words by saying, hope to come together again in the upcoming issues.

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