FOREWORD

Dreamers unite!

It's an honour to write for the first preface of our new spaceship "Journal of Metaverse"

Let's start with "The Road Not Taken" poem by Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood, And sorry I could not travel both And be one traveler, long I stood And looked down one as far as I could To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way, I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh Somewhere ages and ages hence: Two roads diverged in a wood, and I— I took the one less traveled by, And that has made all the difference.

(Robert Frost, 1916)

I want to tell you about the main crew of our spaceship which is destined for the future.

It's Dr. Enis Karaarslan speaking. My main area of study is cyber security, however, I am interested in disruptive technologies which will change the way we do things. My main path became decentralization technologies and smart contracts. The decentralization and the elimination of intermediaries, prevention of censorship amazed me. It still is.





I met Dr. Ömer Aydın on my way. He is a dreamer who wants to change academic publishing. He founded İzmir Academy Association (www.izmirakademi.org) and is doing nonprofit publishing besides his academic career. We have been working on several projects together, and this journal will be the most promising one. He is a genius in publishing and making everything efficient. Thank you for your support. We wouldn't start this quickly without you.

Then I met Dr. Senem Yazıcı Yılmaz, who is a technology enthusiast. She is working on tourism technologies and gamification, experimenting with virtual reality, augmented reality, cryptocurrencies and blockchain. She is a dreamer who believes in technology and innovation. She is our metaverse guide. Her curiosity and insight are helping us to find our way in cyberspace.



I am an engineer. I find myself focusing on the technological problems and saying "Hey we are not there yet!". There are many challenges, but by the way, I love challenges. The difficulties that challenge us made the evolution of humans. Let's dream about future technologies and study them.

You are invited to publish your findings in the "Journal of Metaverse". The journal aims to bring new approaches to the metaverse with new theories, ideas, designs, frameworks, mechanisms, and technologies. The financial, sociological, cultural, literary, psychological, and other interdisciplinary aspects of this newly emerging field are also welcomed. We aim to bring the academia and industry to present their original research and achievements. High-quality survey articles will also be published. The journal welcomes studies on all aspects of the metaverse.

You are welcome. Hoşgeldiniz.

Hope you enjoy your journey.

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