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The editor, advisory board, and secretariat staff have been altered effective January 1, 2025. I wish to express my gratitude to my colleagues for their contributions to this matter and prior ones. The Editorial Board is pleased to publish the outstanding research papers submitted by the authors in the first issue of the eighth volume of the Journal. I extend my gratitude to the reviewers, section and language editors, the secretariat responsible for the layout, the JOPEM Advisory Board, the Editorial Board, and all others who contributed to the preparation of the articles for publication.

To sustain reader engagement and foster innovative concepts, we seek to increase the volume of writers submitting manuscripts for forthcoming editions of JOPEM. Should you possess any remarks or suggestions, kindly reach out to us.

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