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From the Editor

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Dear Scientists and Researchers,

Interest to JEPE's first and second editions and incentives of some members in Editorial Board have been encouraging to publish new journals. Therefore, KSP Journals which is a group with economics centered was born. These new journals are designed as TER, JEST and JSAS which are using JEPE's restructure, so that JEPE's principles and scientific targets are generalized for these journals. Therefore, it has been decided to go on publishing with these 4 journals in which the same principles and targets are generalized. Especially JEST and JSAS are designed as accepting the articles in the subjects of management, public administration, international relations, finance, accounting and even sociology addition to economics although KSP Journals are a group with economics centered. The subjects of the articles that the journals can accept are specified in the website and set the lines for each journal. The structure of and policies specified by JEPE as leading journal of KSP Journals Group, are preserved for other journals and started being implemented. Additionally, especially the website is being improved and developed recurrently. Besides, the page design which was developed for JEPE, is improved much more and now it is in a point that will not need to change for a long time.

As announced before, JEPE's second edition was published in 18th day of Quarter and third edition will be published in 18 March. Therefore the principle of "publishing in the 18th day in the Quarter" is specified as a standard publishing date principle for all other KSP Journals. Moreover, this is effective for also special issues.

In this edition, totally 11 articles from Switzerland, Bulgaria, Portugal, Nigeria, USA (2), United Kingdom, Malaysia, Mexico, Japan, and Turkey are published after Editorial and Arbitrator evaluation processes. This publishing diversity is a proof of achieving the principle of "exhibiting different ideas in order to enhance the scientific knowledge" in addition to the JEPE's qualification of "an international journal". Additionally, 7 articles were rejected as finding them not suitable to be published after Editorial and Arbitrary Evaluation Processes. Thus, the ratio of accepting the articles in JEPE's second edition is 58%. In addition to these articles, Turkish translations of three articles (Abdulkadiroğlu & Sönmez (2003); Barro (2001) and Bonefeld (1992)) which are considered as a classic in economics field were taken place in the edition. The personal consents from authors and corporate publishing rights from before published journals are taken in order to publish the translations. Repeatedly, I would like to thank the authors and journal editors in this occasion.

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“Letter to Editor” written by a well-known and respectful Turkish scientist Şevket Ruacan was published in this issue with a great happiness in order to firm KSP Group Journals’ the policy and to depict the attitude against plagiarism. Moreover, book reviews and conference notes were taken place as KSP Group Journals would like to publish more in the following editions. In addition to 6 book reviews from UK and USA, conference notes which belong to 2 different conferences organized in USA and Romania are also published. The attempts are being taken to go on cooperation for these conferences’ following organizations for coming years.

The most dramatic incident, experienced in the second edition was that plagiarism was recognized in three different articles submitted from Nigeria, Italy and Tunis (In the paper which was submitted from Nigeria, the author plagiarized from another Nigerian author; In the article which was submitted from Tunis, the author plagiarized the IMF working paper and in the paper which was submitted from Italy, the author plagiarized an article from Japan. The rejected articles and the original articles’ information can be found in the Editor Reports on the JEPE website.) Although we announced in the publishing policies, these people’ plagiarism attempts were recognized in JEPE’s rigorous evaluation processes. The authors whose articles were used in plagiarism and the authors who attempted to plagiarize were informed about the evaluation; the reports were created for the authors who made plagiarism were also published in JEPE website and they were warned that they should never contact to JEPE again. iThenticate and Grammarly restructures which are the most developed systems against the plagiarism started being utilized and all the articles will be evaluated based on these systems before being sent to arbitrary committee as also announced in the website.

Restructures of RePec, EconBiz, Econis, EconStor and EconPaper are effective for JEPE. These indexes which are “Field Index” for the economists, offer operative results about increasing the articles’ accessibleness. Furthermore JEPE was started to be indexed by many indexes. The contacts are still continued for many other indexes. Some indexes in particularly EBSCO, ProQuest, Ulrich’s and DOAJ would prefer “seeing the second edition” and from now on we will contact these indexes again. Moreover, by the second edition, JEPE succeeded to have a real international scientific identity with Editorial Board, publishing richness, publishing diversity, continent and country diversity and the indexes that JEPE was accepted. These policies, implementations and targets are also effective for other KSP Journals and in order to have same successful results, works go on.

On the other hand, the attempts to make cooperation with conferences that were organized in 2015 were fastened and the first collaboration was made with “4th National Logistics and Supply Chain Conference”. It were agreed that the papers which are in the publishing fields of JEPE and the subjects of macroeconomics and international economy will be published after passing the evaluation processes of JEPE’s itself publishing processes. In addition to this, contacts with 4 conferences in abroad and 2 conferences in Turkey were made and still going on the meetings.

JEPE started to work on its “Special Issue” as one of the publishing policies specified beforely. The special issues based on a subdivision of economics are published in 18 May in every year and call for papers are announced at least before 6 months. “Sociology and Metedology of Economy” theme is specified for the 2015 year’s first special issue of JEPE and depending on the calendar issues, the call for papers was announced in 18 November 2014. Special issue will consist of two main parts. In the first part of these, “the papers of invited authors” will take place. These authors are expert scientists in the main theme of the special issue and as also mentioned in the call for paper invitation text, the authors are announced in

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the journal's web site in 1 January 2015. The second part of the special issue is open to all articles which are suitable to the main theme as well. The articles which will take place in this part will be published after being accepted through the publishing evaluation processes which are already specified in the publishing policies. Additionally, book reviews and conference notes which are suited to the main theme are also being waited. All the details can be found in call for paper text in the web site.

Finally, new corporate e-mail addresses are received and started being utilized for JEPE. These new addresses are also given below. Moreover, www.ijepe.com website which was created assuming to be used to publish JEPE Journal will not be used anymore and all the KSP Journals are gathered into one web site address: www.kspjournals.org. Furthermore, the journals which are adopted the same purposes and policies are combined in the same restructure.

I hope and wish that all the KSP Journals will be sufficient to provide contribution to scientific knowledge that they intended to. Primarily this requested to maintain the international scientific standards ambitiously. Secondly, it could be possible with a Powerful and Respectful Editorial Board. The statement of "Please review the Editorial Board and publishing policies; this will give information and idea about the KSP Journals", which naturally became the slogan of KSP Journals and also exhibits the dedication to get the intention.

All kind of opinions, suggestions and reviews can be delivered to the Editor in order to carry the Journals to more advanced level. Even, I am looking forward to your opinions, suggestions and reviews.



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