

Dear readers,

You are about to read the first issue of the Science & Military journal, volume 5, which, despite being one of the „youngest“ periodicals, has been receiving increasing numbers of positive feedback from its readers.

Since the very beginning, our aim has been to publish attractive and high-quality scientific journal on military science, accessible to the expert public not only in Slovakia but also abroad. We are aware of the fact that the high-quality scientific journal cannot be created overnight; therefore, we are doing our best to constantly improve magazine articles and layouts to make the journal more interesting and enjoyable to you – our readers.

2009 was no exception and some changes were made in terms of the structure of the journal. Scientific papers submitted for publication must be in English only. International Editorial Board consists of experts in the field of Science and Research who are solely committed to the exploration for high-quality research papers that are suitable for publication in the Science & Military journal. They will work with the editor to achieve objectives of the journal; encourage developers to contribute their articles and they will also vote on the selection of high quality papers. In 2009, the Science & Military journal has been added to ProQuest Central full-text database and at the same time it has been accepted to take part in Thomson Reuters Journal Selection Process for a period of two years during which the journal will be evaluated for possible coverage in Web of Science. However, adding the journal to the Current Contents database remains the main long-term aim of the Editorial Board.

We have got a long and difficult way ahead of us but as an African proverb says „Smooth seas do not make skilful sailors“, and therefore, we are ready to overcome all kinds of obstacles in order to achieve our goal. We will continue our efforts to make this journal a high-quality scientific journal that would take a rightful place among other significant scientific journals.

Dear readers, the first 2010 issue contains 16 new and no doubt interesting scientific articles submitted by researchers and experts from research institutes, Academies and Universities from Slovakia and also from foreign countries.

*I would like to specifically point out to you the article submitted by Assoc. Prof. Ferdinand Chovanec, CSc. from the Armed Forces Academy in Liptovský Mikuláš. Assoc. Prof. Chovanec was awarded „**Prize for three-year scientific response**“ in technical science and geosciences **“as a public token for significant scientific response during the previous three years”**. During these years, Assoc. Prof. Chovanec and Assoc. Prof. František Kôpka, CSc. developed mathematical model to be applied in quantum physics and received scientific response from the International scientific community. Up till now they have received more than 250 scientific responses to their first article on the topic, those including quotations in scientific papers, articles and studies.*

Lastly, allow me to extend my thanks to all authors, reviewers and editorial board members. Thanks to their efforts we were able to publish yet another issue of the Science and Military Journal.

I hope the reading of Science and Military Journal will be an enjoyable and worthwhile experience for you. I look forward to your responses and contributions to our next issue.

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