Dear readers,

Science & Military has been here for 5 successful years, which is an opportunity to review. What were the previous years of editing the journal like? What positive did they bring? What did we have to deal with?

The journal Science & Military did not arise just from day to day, but it followed the 30 years long history of volumes that were issued at the Armed Forces Academy since 1976. The original volume of the Military technical college originated because of the need for a journal that would be the platform and presentation of scientific and technical articles by teachers, scientific staff and doctoral students especially from the Military technical college. The change of environment, but also the changes the school underwent in 2004 of course required innovation of the journal.

The new title and form were by far not the only changes. The journal was mostly of local character and its format was not actively used for the development of scientific knowledge in the given field on the national, not to mention international level. Thus the goal of the new editorial board was to change the situation. Today I am pleased to say that we go on well regarding this goal. Science & Military has more and more contributors from abroad (Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Romania and Ukraine). An international editorial board supervises the quality and scientific proficiency of the articles. When evaluating the previous years I cannot leave out the important question of seriousness of reviewing the manuscripts by the reviewers. It is one of the factors that decide whether the journal Science & Military has the chance to be included in distinguished international databases such as Thomson Reuters or Scopus.

We started editing Science & Military in 2006 so to say "provisionally", but with a great drive and enthusiasm since it was the first and only journal of its kind in Slovakia. And that was our commitment. Thanks to the enormous effort of the whole editorial team and a good author background Science & Military soon won a wide range of fans.

The journal Science & Military created possibilities for publishing articles by slovak and foreign authors, who deal with the research in the field of armament and machinery, communication and information systems, military logistics, economy, management, national and international security and other branches.

By editing the journal Science & Military the Armed Forces Academy created a new platform of critical and creative thinking development of professional soldiers and professionals that complement the attributes of the Armed Forces Academy as the highest educational institution in the Ministry of Defence of SR. .

We are sure that the scientific community matured enough not only to deserve such journal, but to keep it alive with their activity turned into publication outcomes. A new and young generation of scientific and university staff, the rising number of doctoral students as well as their increasing quality are the guarantee.

On behalf of the editorial board I wish the journal many good articles, readers' interest and a positive feedback from professionals.

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