

Dear readers,

You are about to read the second copy of the journal *Science & Military 2012*. It is the 14th issue of the journal that has been continuously published since 2006. In the intervening years the *Science & Military* journal has undergone a number of positive improvements not only in terms of form but also in content. It has adapted to reflect the today's times, trends and to respond to current needs. On the proposal from the Chairman of the editorial board the new international editorial board was constituted. New contributors not only from Slovakia but also from abroad joined the authors' team. Editor's office accepts only those articles written in English language. Before being published, all articles must pass the anonymous review procedure. In 2009 the *Science & Military* journal was submitted to ProQuest database and in 2012 is was submitted to EBSCO database. Authors of articles thus need not worry that the article remains unrecognized, forgotten or inaccessible to the general professional community. However, a persistent effort to include the journal *Science & Military* in the Current Contents database remains the main long-term goal of editor's office. I believe the journal *Science & Military* will henceforward continue to provide stimulating and inspiring platform for communication at professional and civic society levels as well as for scientific and to all-society beneficial solutions to the problems concerning the current issues of military science in its wider interdisciplinary social contexts not only at national but also at the international levels. We are aware of the fact that a journal published in "small Slovakia" cannot compete with a big tens of thousands of studies but it may hold the attention of readers and meet the competition by its original image that must be presented in appealing way.

And what can you find in this issue? I would like to draw your attention to some articles. The article written by František Bartko and František Bartko, Jr.: „Identification and categorization of security risks“ covers various approaches to categorization of risks. It presents approaches of the World Economic Forum, the World Bank, the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic, OECD and NATO. The article by Peter Lipták, Igor Barényi and Ondrej Híreš titled „Degradation of mechanical properties after welding of high strength steel ArmoX 500“ pays attention to yet the most commonly used armor ARMOX 500. The results presented in the article were obtained in experimental tests carried out by the authors and have significantly contributed to the field of welding armor. The authors Mariana Martišková and Ladislav Novák present an article titled „Findings on the Deployment of Civilian Experts from the Slovak Republic into Common Security and Defence Policy Mission“ dealing with

the relationship between the obligations of the Slovak Republic within the international crisis management and its population and comparing the results with other EU countries. The article by Jaromír Mareš, Nataša Pomazalová and Václav Zajíček: „Testing the influence of additives Envirox during operation of the combustion engine T 815“ analyses the effects of additives on engine T 815 running. Klára Sipos Kecskeméthy in her article called „The Mediterranean“, relevantly presents the geopolitical importance of the Mediterranean region, from which the NATO activities focused on this area stem. The article by Slavomír Bylen titled „Modelling of logistic in computer assisted exercises“, describes the JTLS as a simulation tool suitable for logistics as well as logistics operations control methods in JTLS. The paper presents practical experience in using JTLS in the Polish army.

Dear readers, I believe that you will find this copy of the journal *Science & Military* both interesting and informative and on behalf of all members of the editorial board I would like to thank you for your interest and support.

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