Dear Readers,

It gives me great pleasure to present the first issue in the third year of publication of our journal. Over the past two years we have published a large number of articles, which have aroused considerable attention and interest amongst the academic community, researchers and practitioners working in organization, technology and management in construction. In many conversations and e-mail correspondence, we have received a large amount of praise and support for our work so far. The number of articles submitted for publication has been growing steadily, which has had a positive effect on the quality of the journal. It is certain that in the future we will have to increase the number of articles we publish in each issue. At the same time we will retain our basic concept, where some of the articles are from the region of central and south-east Europe, because we see ourselves as a regional journal. The articles coming from outside our region however have equal importance in our concept, since they enable us to gain an insight into the development of ideas and research on a global level, which has a positive effect on trends in the region. It may be expected that in future we will increase the space given to young researchers and the results of their work, as they are producing many good ideas and completely new and different approaches.

We are very happy to have received suggestions to publish special issues, which would deal with specific topics within the field covered by the journal. We can already announce that we are in the process of arranging a special issue dealing with megaprojects. This is cooperation as part of the EU COST action TD 1003 in which researchers from about fifteen European countries are involved. It is very possible that we will introduce the practice of publishing one special issue a year dealing with a specific topic, which would practically mean publishing one extra issue every year. The advantage of special issues is their especially strong focus on a specific, narrow and current topic, and the possibility of dealing with it fully and in depth.

I am especially glad to be able to inform you that the quality of our journal has been recognized more widely and it has been included in two high quality data bases: INSPEC and EBSCO, starting from volume 1, issue 1. This is also an incentive for further work and a new round of improvement of quality. In this issue we have also introduced a unique digital object identifier for each article – DOI – which represents a permanent internet location.

We invite all researchers, practitioners and members of the academic community to contribute through studies and articles to the development and maintenance of the quality of the OTMC journal. We are particularly pleased to publish the results of research, best practice, case studies, ideas to solve complex problems, proposals for innovations or the results of experience from important projects. Our journal is also open to young scientists and PhD students and their insights arising from the initial years of research work.

Yours sincerely,

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