

Editor's Letter

In October 2008, the *Croatian Journal of Food Science and Technology* was started by the Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek, Faculty of Food Technology Osijek, based on the Faculty staff council decision.

It was my pleasure to accept the position of Editor-in-Chief. We started, I might say, 'from the beginning'. At that time there were approximately 400 journals worldwide related to food science. In spite of that, we started without any fear motivated by the thought that University success is measured not only by students' and professors' success, but also by the University/Faculty capacity to publish its own scientific journal.

After seven years, I have to admit that there were many challenges I faced as Editor-in-Chief, starting from providing high quality manuscripts and sufficient number of reviewers to covering all costs. Despite everything it has been my pleasure and honour and I did my best to fulfil this task successfully.

The time has come, however, for someone else to take over this position of Editor-in Chief.

Before the official farewell in this issue (No 1 Vol 7) I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the members of the Editorial and Advisory Board, to all reviewers, to the Faculty staff and the Dean of the Faculty of Food Technology Osijek, professor Drago Šubarić, for his support, to the Croatian Ministry of Science, Education and Sports and to the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts, which supported us financially. I would also like to thank professor Ljiljana Primorac, Deputy Editor and Ms Ivana Lauš, Editorial Assistant who contributed significantly to successful performing of our task.

Now it is time to hand over this job to my successor professor Jurislav Babić with a desire to successfully carry out this task and overcome all the challenges along the way. I must, here, once more thank our members of the Advisory Board, who did not hesitate to accept an invitation, and who helped us from the beginning. THANK YOU FOR THAT.

I am fully convinced that this journal will continue its upward path under new leadership and I wish them all the best.

Sincerely yours,

Vlasta Piližota

Editor in Chief