From Editor-in-Chief:

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When editing a journal, the editor has two options to choose from:

- a) to have a limited number of papers per issue,
- b) to have an unlimited number of papers per issue.

In case a) as a great number of interesting papers wait for a long time to be published, new authors lose interest in publishing in the journal.

In case b) papers are published rapidly and authors are content. However, there is the risk of reduced impact factor / CiteScore if all papers are not cited to a satisfactory extent.

While electronic journals prefer rapid publication and unlimited number of papers, printed journals are limited by printing costs and therefore prefer a limited number of papers per issue and heavily rely on their reputation.

Transactions on Maritime Science is published both in printed and digital format. To cover the increased costs of printing, we applied for co-financing. I wholeheartedly thank the University of Split for its financial support in 2020, and hope for its continued support in the future.

This issue is the most extensive we've had so far. We have one paper from the 19th International Conference on Transport

Science ICTS 2020, held in Portorož, Slovenia, on 17-18 September 2020, as well as three papers from the Devport Conference 2020, held in Le Havre, France, on 15-16 October 2020.

The papers brought in this issue cover most of the journal's topics, from ocean engineering, shipbuilding, maritime communications, software and electronics, to maritime logistics and management, including the psychosocial and legal aspects of long-term work onboard ships.

We once again take the opportunity to present Croatian cultural heritage by bringing you two poems by late Rina Repanić Gotal, written in the idiom of the Island of Vis. This contribution comes in bilingual form in the inspired translation of Mirna Čudić Žgela, our long-standing associate.

We thank the authors and reviewers on their contribution to our journal and making it increasingly popular in the scientific community. We hope you will help us realize our goal to improve both paper quality and visibility and that together we can make this journal stronger and recognizable.

Best whishes Editor – in - chief