Dear readers,
this is a new issue of the magazine, and it contains certain changes. After covering health status and health protection in all Croatian counties, we have started a new chapter, and that is health and health protection in the neighbouring countries. We are covering these topics with the goal of exchanging experiences and encouragement of collaboration, while the ultimate goal is improving and keeping the area’s nations’ health. The first country we are collaborating with is the Republic of Hungary. Health and its protection are shown through the articles written by Hungarian authors. One of the novelties presented in this issue is that every article is written in Hungarian, Croatian and English. We introduced this feature because we assumed that the interest for these articles will be most expressed in the two neighbouring countries that have been tightly connected for many centuries.

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