FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Year 2020 – The Next Stage of Development of the Journal

Dear Readers and Authors,

The year 2020 is to see "The Critique of Law" enter its fourth stage of development. I have mentioned the previous three stages in the introduction to issue no. 1/2018. A new act on higher education and science, a score of 40 on the ministerial list of scientific journals, and our scientific ambition are all far from encouraging us to slow down.

Our journal will still focus mainly on interdisciplinarity and public law drawing on theories of law and philosophy of law, with problems discussed in the context of these domains still being featured as our "Cover stories". Papers from outside this framework will be published in the "Miscellaneous" section provided that they are of exceptional scientific merit.

Our journal remains a quarterly, and its original version is still offered in electronic format.

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We're open to working with authors from Poland and from across the entire world alike.

Authors who wish to contribute are expected, most importantly, to deliver **original articles that could become a subject of interest among the international academic community, in line with the profile of our journal.** Papers discussing the results of studies of major international significance will be given highest priority in our publishing agenda. You are encouraged to submit them translated mainly into English.



Ministry of Science and Higher Education from the Ministry of Science and Higher Education allocated to the popularization of science. "The Critique of Law" also accepts manuscripts written in Polish, especially when it is **clearly justified by the national social or economic significance of the research results obtained by the author and covered in the paper**. We will do our best to arrange for articles discussing research results of major significance to Poland to be published as quickly as possible as well.

Submissions may be rejected by our editorial team due to deficiencies in the style, failure to fulfil the information requirements for abstracts, or poor scientific quality and merit.

Our editorial team reserves the right to reject publishing texts which do not comply with the basic requirements set forth by the journal without reviewing them beforehand.

We are also raising our review standards and requirements. We're adopting, among others, a system of 4* to evaluate the originality, significance, and methodological quality of the manuscripts we receive.

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Please carefully review the new version of our "Instructions for authors" as we're extending our requirements to be on par with the international competition in scientific communication.

You are also asked to send your submissions together with all the relevant additional information by **email directly to our Editorial Office**, and not via our website, as thus far.

I am looking forward to soon be able to announce that thanks to you we're making another step forward in the development of our journal.

Here is our last 2019 issue. An issue being an evolutionary part of the new stage of our development. I hope you find this issue interesting and inspiring.

You are warmly encouraged to send your submissions.

Prof. Jolanta Jabłońska-Bonca Editor-in-Chief