

EDITORIAL

Dear readers,

What lies before you is the new edition of the *Nauka i društvo – Science and Society* scientific magazine, which has been published since 1966. In the winter edition of our magazine, we have prepared numerous texts that deal with the current topics of contemporary society. We are very proud to have in this edition published texts written by prominent professors and experts from abroad, who work in different research fields, with which we have justified our tradition of quality, actuality and multidisciplinary.

Since Europe has been especially overwhelmed in the last few years with national and religious conflicts which are gaining a new dimension with the occurrence of mass migration of the inhabitants of the Middle Eastern region, the first part of the magazine is named **“Conflicts and Europe”**. Anton Bebler, professor at the Faculty of Political Sciences in Ljubljana wrote for our magazine on a very significant topic in the international political relations – “The newest “frozen” conflict in Europe – over Crimea”. Professor Bebler is a great connoisseur of the situation in Eastern Europe, and his several decades of fruitful scientific work testify to that. Marcus Mohler, a great expert in his field of research from the University of St. Gallen in Switzerland, has dealt with researching the new security aspects of the Schengen agreement. He has shown his view of “new Schengen” in the context of the migration crisis through his innovative work named “Reflections on the Schengen borders code and the re-establishment of checks at internal borders”. A paper named “Political and ethnic phenomena in Bosnia and Herzegovina” is written by Polish professor Ewa Bujwid Kurek, who is currently teaching at the Faculty of international and political studies (Jagiellonia University) in Krakow. Professor Bujwid Kurek has analyzed the current socio-political situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina, with a special emphasis on the tensions striking this country since the Dayton agreement.

The second chapter of the *Nauka i društvo – Science and Society* magazine bears the name **“Communication, language and politics”** which consists of very interesting works in the field of politics, security and linguistics. Professor Dr Evgeny Pashentsev (Lomonosov University in Moscow) has written about the impact of communication on the process of management, which he very professionally presented in his work “Methods of forming communicational impact and man-

aging series: from parliamentary conflicts to terrorist activities”. Following this paper is the work of Doctor Darya Bazarkina from the Moscow State University for Humanities Sholokhov. In her work “Right-wing extremism and terrorism in the territory of the EU: from street fighters to national-socialist underground”, she elaborated the extremism and terrorism of the right-wing ideology provenance of the EU region, emphasizing the importance of communicational management. In our magazine, we have adopted a nice habit of giving the space for scientific expression to our young and talented associates. This time, we have chosen the work of our colleague Tanja Milošević, who graduated from the master program, “Terrorism, organized crime and security”, at the University of Belgrade, named “Relationship of language and politics: importance of knowing oriental languages for fighting terrorism”.

The third chapter of the magazine is dedicated to the correlation existing between **geopolitics, religion and crime**, so we have published works of professors from the Italian University of L’Aquila. The first work, named “Palermo and Moscow – a mafia stereotype”, is written by professor Francesco Sidoti, who has been researching organized crime for many years. By making a comparison between the Italian and Russian perception of mafia, professor Sidoti has written a great scientific study on mafia stereotypes. The second work in this field is written by Maria Teresa Gammone, who researched the relationship of crime and religious problems that exist in contemporary Russia.

The last pages are, as always, reserved for book reviews. This time, we have chosen a scientific monograph “Radoslav Ratkovic – life and work”, which is an homage to professor Radoslav Ratkovic, founder of the Faculty of Political Sciences in Belgrade. This anthology, dedicated to professor Ratkovic, consists of 40 scientific works of prominent university professors, scientists and social activists, and was prepared by his associates, Dragan Simeunović and Marija Đorić, and it speaks of the importance of the scientific work of Radoslav Ratkovic, who left us at the age of 92.

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