



## Editorial

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Dear Readers,

We are on the brink of the fifth year of publication of our journal, and I would like to share with you all the satisfaction we have from the development and realization of the vision we had when we launched this journal. We can now say that we have succeeded in maintaining regularity of publication and the standards of quality we planned for the first five years. Our journal is now well-known and recognized, not just in the regions of central and south-east Europe but also more wider.

In November 2012 a thematic session was held of the Editorial Advisory Board in Lednice in the Czech Republic. The focus of the Board meeting was the further improvement of the quality and international recognition of the journal. The members of the Board discussed in detail the receipt and review of articles, incentives for receipt of good quality articles on important and interesting subjects, the plan to make the journal available on international bases, and plans to increase the impact factor. There was also a separate discussion related to making it possible to publish articles by young and promising researchers and PhD students. Board members were informed about the completion of the special edition of the journal in 2012 on the subject of megaprojects, edited by Prof. Naomi Brookes of the University of Leeds. The next special edition will be edited by Prof. John Paris Pantouvakis from the National Technical University of Athens. Members of the Board agreed on measures to increase the visibility of the journal through Google Scholar, Centaur and LinkedIn. Members of the Advisory Board would like to thank Prof. Jana Korytarova and Dr. Tomáš Hanak, from Brno University of Technology – FCE, for their help in organizing the meeting.

The next Board meeting is planned for September 2013 in Dubrovnik, during the 27th IPMA World Congress. The IPMA (International Project Management Association, [www.ipma.ch](http://www.ipma.ch)) is a global association bringing together national project management associations from over fifty states on all continents. Part of the congress will also be focussed on management of construction projects.

It is my particular pleasure to point out that in this issue we have ten very interesting articles, of which four are from the region, and the rest are from the global environment. A great deal of attention will probably be drawn by the article: “Construction Management: The management of the development, conservation and improvement of the built environment”, by Michael Brown, Deputy Chief Executive, The Chartered Institute of Building. I firmly believe that this article offers new perspectives in the field of construction management and a contribution to the development of that field. It is our intention to continue the practice of publishing invited articles on special topics of general interest to our readers.

We also continue to invite all researchers, practitioners and members of the academic community to contribute by their articles to the development and maintenance of the quality of the OTMC journal. We would be particularly glad to publish the results of research, best practice, case studies, ideas to resolve complex problems, proposals for innovation or the results of experience on important projects. Our journal is also open for young scientists and PhD students and their insights gained from the early years of their research work.

Yours Sincerely,  
Prof. Dr. Mladen Radujković  
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