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## Foreword

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Despite the difficulties encountered, the academic community continues its work and develops cooperation with colleagues from other countries. Modern technologies are providing ample opportunities for this. Distance learning, on-line conferences and meetings - these developing forms of communication are becoming an everyday activity for lecturers and scientists all around the world. The limitations that have arisen, fortunately, do not affect the opportunities for scientific research and publications. Virtual mobility has no boundaries or limits. Scientists from different countries continue to cooperate by implementing joint projects and publications. Generally, present-day opportunities increase the inclusiveness of scientists in research activities.

ISMA University of Applied Sciences sees its mission in the promotion and development of international scientific cooperation. We are pleased that our journal "Economics & Education" has become a platform for the international cooperation of scientists. We are ready to publish indepth research on the important matters of modern economic and social development, globalization, management, and education.

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Sincerely yours, ISMA President **Romans Djakons**