

## 100, exactly 100

Romanians have an anniversary celebration spree. In 2014, there was the 555th celebration of Bucharest's first documented reference. In 2000 „Tezaur Folcloric<sup>1</sup>” celebrated 18 years from its first airing. In my opinion, we should celebrate an event at its 25 or 50 or 75- or 100-years anniversary, but also for its 200 or 300 or 400- or 1000-years anniversary. On 1st December 2018 there has been the anniversary of 100 years since the Great Unification.

This year, we have the happy occasion to celebrate the 100th issue of *Informatica Economică*, a science journal established with the lead of a group of professors from the Economic Informatics Department, members of INFOREC, coordinated by Academic Professor Ion Gh. ROȘCA.

The first issue was released in the first quarter of 1997. The articles included in the first issue were authored by fellow colleagues from the Economic Informatics Department: Ion Gh. ROȘCA, Ion SMEUREANU, Bogdan GHILIC MICU, Constantin APOSTOL, Cătălina COCIANU, Daniel LUCA; Floarea NĂSTASE, Gabriel ZAMFIR, Radu MĂRȘANU, and others, as well.

Amongst the collaborators of the journal there were prominent personalities from the Economic Informatics field, of which I mention here Dan-Mihai RACOVÎȚAN, Ion Gh. ROȘCA, Ștefan NIȚCHI, Florin-Gheorghe FILIP, Nicolae TOMAI, Dumitru TODOROI, Ioan ANDONE, Dinu AIRINEI, Mihaela MUNTEAN and many others.

*Informatica Economica* journal has been coordinated by professors Bogdan GHILIC-MICU, Ion IVAN, Ion SMEUREANU, Paul POCATILU as Chief Editors.

In order to have comparison reference, there were imposed strict rules related to the accepted drafting of the articles; rules inspired from the renown traditional journals from the computer science field, which, at that time, were already counting 30 years from their first issue. Since 2005, starting with issue no. 2, volume 9, the journal was structured on volumes, each volume containing 4 issues and these issues following actual topics for both the readers and the authors.

In the journal issues there were periodic articles presenting in detail the personalities who have had decisive contributions to the development of the Economic Informatics, personalities to whom the Grigore MOISIL Medal and Diploma. There have been presented the Economic Informatics development activities of personalities such as Paul BRAN - Rector at ASE, Florin-Gheorghe FILIP - Academician, Dragoș-Alexandru VAIDA - University Professor, Dan-Mihai RACOVÎȚAN - University Professor, Ion DUMITRACHE - University Professor, Doina BANCIU – General Manager at ICI, Ștefan NIȚCHI - University Professor, Dumitru TODOROI - University Professor, Dumitru OPREA - Rector at Al. I. CUZA University, Silviu HOTĂRAN – Informatician, Gheorghe PĂUN - Academician, Nicolae TOMAI - University Professor, Ioan ANDONE - University Professor, Valer ROȘCA - University Professor, Victor Valeriu PATRICIU - University Professor, Dinu AIRINEI - University Professor.

From the first issue, a high-quality standard was imposed and invitations were sent to personalities acting in the Informatics field to publish in the first issues of the journal, raising the bar of the exigence of the originality of the solutions included in the published articles, as well as to observing the requirements related to the clarity, robustness and accuracy, thus avoiding the unpleasant situation of identifying plagiarism inside the articles published in the issues of the journal.

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<sup>1</sup> “Folklore treasure” – a TV show with focusing on presenting and promoting Romanian Folklore Heritage.

*Informatica Economică* journal is EBSCO, CABELL, ICAAP, INSPEC, ULRICH, RePEc indexed and has B+ ranking in the CNCSIS.

There is a team of specialists which evaluates the quality of the articles. They receive the articles for evaluation following procedures similar to those at the larger and more renowned journals, without knowing the authors and they issue an evaluation report, report which is forwarded to the author, so that the author can proceed with the required amendments that would clear the article for publication.

The originality analysis is then produced, using a specialized software through which there are revealed information related to the percentages of the types of take-overs from the specialist literature, thus avoiding the situations in which the journal would need to publish corrigendum texts.

Starting with 2004 and issue 2, volume VIII, the journal has published articles in English to ensure a larger visibility. Since 2005, each issue has a topic and a person in charge for the issue. The topic is published long time in advance so that to allow authors sufficient time to write their articles.

Colleagues from the Economic Informatics Department, professors from Economic Informatics Departments of Babeş-Bolyai University from Cluj Napoca, West University from Timisoara, Al. I. Cuza University from Iasi, professors from the Technical Military Academy, Politehnica University from Bucharest as well as from other universities in Romania and abroad, have authored articles for the journal.

*Informatica Economică* journal was designed as a science journal and it remains a science journal, dedicated to the promotion of the research in the Economic Informatics field. The 100<sup>th</sup> issue tells a lot about a long journey, a toiled travel, led with abnegation by a strong team of individuals who have secured the continuity of the initiative of its founders 25 years ago.

I have to mention here as well that *Informatica Economică* journal is one of the few journals freely available in electronic format from its initial issue in 1997, because digitalization has been a difficult process, but it has been successfully accomplished by a team of young assistants at the time, now lecturers and university professors. After 2010 there has been a transfer between the informatician generations. The new generation has demonstrated that it has all the resources needed to carry forward the traditions related to the development of the Economic Informatics, which was proven by the uninterrupted publishing of *Informatica Economică* journal, as well as by organizing the yearly editions of the Informatics in Economy International Conference, a high scientific prestige exhibition, and at each event a printed volume of the articles reviewed and accepted by an exigent scientific committee.

I am wishing the journal to have a long life and the power to render accurately the dynamics of the Economic Informatics domain, a field of great importance for the nowadays Romanian Society, especially for the tomorrow's Society.

May you have numerous issues, *Informatica Economică* journal!

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