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Editorial

FOREWORD FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Dear Colleagues,

As the Editor-in-Chief, I feel privileged and honored to present you the first issue of *Human Language*, *Rights, and Security*, a new biannual regular volume of the RUDN University research journals collection.

Our peer-reviewed broad-scope journal spans diverse areas, including language policies and rights, tendencies and challenges for cross cultural communication among speakers of different languages, the role of language for the professional career development, specifics and benefits of various language units and discourse tools from the angle of their contribution to human protection against phenomena that hinder the sustainable development and hamper social security of contemporary society.

The current issue follows an interdisciplinary pathway of academic studies and integrates a number of topics. The language role for the society development is considered through the language use policy and information provision management during the COVID-19. The research in language covers issues of Natural Language Processing (NLP) applications for speaker's behaviour analysis in public and institutional discourse.

The issue also explores the relevance of the language skills training for professional development and provides an opportunity to consider various approaches to language-based mediation skills training at university level. A particular emphasis is laid on the technology potential for foreign language training, reading skills are subject to the study in this issue.

I would like to express my genuine gratitude to all contributors who have generously submitted their work to this issue. I deliver my sincere appreciation to reviewers and Associate Editors who have handled the materials for the current issue and currently engage in collecting submissions for our future volumes.

This issue is an excellent example of the joint efforts and international collaboration that can make things happen under the tremendous uncertainties of the COVID-19 pandemic worldwide.

I am looking forward to the feedback from our readers whose commitment to the solid academic research standards paves the way for this new edition development.

On behalf of the editorial team, I encourage scholars who work within the framework of the journal scope and mission, to submit your latest findings for publication in our journal.

Vladimir Filippov