Dear readers, scientists, practitioners, statutory and civil community,

For your interest and attention I am introducing the new, the fifth, quarterly issue of the scientific peer reviewed “Journal of Security and Sustainability Issues”. The philosophical platform of the journal lies in intention to embrace and integrate two interdependent constituents: security and sustainable development. Security of any independent state is perceived as precondition of sustainable development of its economy and proxy for enhancing the quality of life of its citizens. Therefore, pulling for common discussion committed audience, scientists and practitioners make a route towards the more secure and developed society, smoother and more efficient processes.

The content of the second volume (Volume 2) and its first number (Number 1) of September 2012 is devoted to the problems of security and sustainable development in the context of intensive and inevitable globalization. The convergence of countries and competitive advantages at regional, industrial and organizational levels are being tackled by the presented fifth issue of the “Journal of Security and Sustainability Issues”. The authors raise scientific questions, analize theory and practice through security and sustainability lenses in order to seek for novel insights and to come to the more efficient policies.

Let the international interest in the security and sustainable development research area, elaborations of the related issues and debates lead us to creating new theories, policies and practices, enhanced state security and stable increase in the quality of our lives.

Sincerely,

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at the Ministry of the Interior of
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