Foreword to the eighth issue of peer reviewed scientific
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Dear readers,

It is my pleasure to introduce a new issue (2013, Volume 2, Number 4) of the Journal of Security and Sustainability Issues to the interested audience, which, as it appears, is comprised of international academic community, political and governmental institutions, business practitioners and international organizations.

Vilnius Gediminas Technical University (VGTU), as a partner university to The General Jonas Žemaitis Military Academy of Lithuania and publishing partner to the journal, is deeply engaged in elaboration of increasingly urgent issues related to sustainable and secure economic growth. VGTU itself publishes 19 peer-reviewed research journals: 8 of them are indexed by Web of Science and other databases well-known to researchers and specialists. The university adopted a long-term strategy towards scientific activities, efficiency and openness. We encourage and support scientific research and are eager to contribute to the process of searching for efficient solutions and formulation of efficient policy recommendations.

The Journal of Security and Sustainability Issues represents one of the joint international platforms through which a wide range of contemporary intensively discussed research topics are being tackled. The journal embraces problems related to adopted conceptual approaches towards security and sustainability, globalization issues, measurement of development, consequences of economic growth, role of entrepreneurship and management in the condition of scarcely and dangerously diminishing natural resources. Insights formulated in the scientific discussions can provide the European Commission and local governments with novel policy implications. I wish the Journal of Security and Sustainability Issues would successfully continue its activity, consistently enhance its visibility and contribute to research and policymaking in such important area as secure and sustainable development of our economies.

Sincerely,

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