

Editorial

Dear Readers,

It has been 12 years since the publication of the first European scientific periodical on martial arts science and cultural studies. Our periodical has been tackling new academic areas. Since 2000 it has been published in the publishing series of Lykeion Library (Idokan Poland Association, IPA); since 2004 it has been on the list of journals recognised and valued by the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education and the Copernicus Index International; it has found its place on the web page of Rzeszow University's Faculty of Physical Education (UR) and on a thematic list (martial arts science) of the UR Library and on the site of the Polish scientific publication “Arianta”. The scientific journal can be found in the collections of the libraries of León University, Masaryk University in Brno, 30 other Polish universities and the “Catalogue of Rzeszow University Publications” (October 2011, pp. 63-64) and in the “AIESEP Flash Newsletter”. Most of all, it is on the list of publications recommended by IMACSSS [WWW.imacsss.com].

In December 2011 we applied to Thomson Reuters for the inclusion of “Ido Movement for Culture. Journal of Martial Arts Anthropology” in the ISI Web of Knowledge and the calculation of Impact Factor of the journal. “Ido Movement for Culture. Journal of Martial Arts Anthropology” [the electronic quarterly; www.idokan.pl] is currently under review. And in evaluation in the Elsevier/Scopus, too. We received 7 points in the list of Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education, and our Journal is indexed in EBSCO/SPORT Discus, now.

Our publishing office is implementing procedures to prevent scientific misconduct for

example so-called “ghost-writing”. In order to achieve this the rules of publication have been changed. Currently in collective works we require indication of participation of selected authors.

There have also been some personnel changes to the Editorial Board and the Scientific Board. The Editorial Board has invited co-operation from a few eminent experts: Prof. Wojtek Chodzko-Zajko (USA), Prof. Emerson Franchini (Brazil), Dr Shaun M. Galloway (UK) and Prof. Thomas Green (USA). On the other hand, the large group of international co-editors will no longer be named in the periodical.

The 12th volume series of publications begins with *Historical reflections* and *Sociological* one. An article by Fernando Dandoro Castilho Ferreira *et al.* presenting Chinese martial arts from a Brazilian sociological perspective. It is good that European or Northern American perspective are not the only ones which offer explanations of the global popularity of Asian martial arts.

Starting with the first issue we will present consecutive original conceptual studies and research in the field of cultural studies, philosophy, psychology and pedagogy, kinesiology and sport science, the study of tourism (martial arts tourism in particular), discussion of experts and polemics. There are also substantive discussions, reports and reviews – about events, scientific books and other publications.

We highly recommend reading our publication,

Wojciech J. Cynarski
Editor-in-Chief
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