Dear readers,

At the beginning of the fourth year of publishing we would like to brief you on what has been done, introduce some changes and present our future plans.

But, first, a few words about us. SEEFOR was established in 2009 by eight scientific and educational Institutions from the South-East European region with the primary aim to contribute to the development of scientific, research and other activities in the scientific field of forestry, as well as to encourage international cooperation and the creativity of employees of the journal and other contributors. The scope of the journal’s interests ranges over all ecological, economical, technical, technological, social and other aspects of forestry, urban forestry and wood processing technology.

From the first issue in 2010 until now, 6 issues in 3 volumes have been published. Scientists and researchers from the Region, but also from other parts of Europe and the world have offered their significantly contribution, whether by submitting papers or by reviewing them. In total, 36 papers were published within the last three years, which means 12 papers per year. Among the published papers, 23 were in the category Original Scientific Papers, 5 in the category Preliminary Communication, 2 were review papers and 6 professional papers. The published works covered a great variety of topics from the field of forestry, from forest management, forest inventory and remote sensing, forest ecology, forest pedology and forest genetics to forest economics and forest policy. The last published issue (Vol. 3, No. 2) dealt with urban forestry and consisted of the peer-reviewed papers per invitation from the IUFRO Conference “Forests for Cities, Forests for People: Perspectives on Urban Forest Governance”. Overall, the majority of the published works were from SEE (Croatia 8, Serbia 6, Bosnia and Herzegovina 4, Macedonia 4, Hungary 3, Slovenia 1), but there were also papers from other parts of the world (2 from United Kingdom and one from Albania, Colombia, Lithuania and Turkey, respectively). It is important to highlight that the SEEFOR Journal is not only for scientists and researchers from the SEE Region, but also for all who want to present their research.

We are very glad to inform you that SEEFOR is included in one more important citation database. Apart from the CAB Abstract Database, where the Journal has been indexed from its first issue, AGRICOLA Database (National Agricultural Library) will also index it. After the successful evaluation process, we were informed that the Journal, with all the published papers, will be indexed by the end of this year. In order to increase the visibility of the Journal, during this year we plan to apply for the evaluation process in other citation databases, such as SCOPUS and Web of Science.

Also, in this fourth year of publishing we have a new Editorial Board. The novelty is that apart from the representatives of the Journal’s founders, the Editorial Board has been expanded with eminent scientists from different relevant European forestry Institutions. We use this opportunity to thank all new members of the Editorial Board for their consent to invest time and effort in the Journal’s progress.

At the end, we wish you pleasant summer holidays hoping that you find some interesting papers in this new issue!

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