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Editorial

With this first issue we are very pleased to announce the launch of Beder Journal of Humanities. Beder Journal of Humanities is a multidisciplinary peer reviewed journal for humanities disciplines.

As we start I would like to state that our priority is to publish a multilingual magazine which suits to the scientific criteria, focused to produce new scientific knowledge and open to innovation.

Although as Beder Journal of Humanities we are open to the original papers and research in all subjects of social sciences and humanities we aim to specialize particularly in the subjects of Law, Theology, Communications, Education and Literature.

The main language of the journal is English but papers in Turkish and Albanian will be published as well. In this first issue we have published seven papers in English, three papers in Turkish and two papers in Albanian. We are aware of the obstacles of multilingual publishing but we believe we can overcome these obstacles. We have editors in all three languages in our editorial board. Also we are hoping to minimize the errors with the support of Turkish Language and Literature and English Language and Literature departments and Albanian instructors of the university.

We believe that one of the most important issues of publishing periodicals is continuity. And we are planning to publish two journals one in the fall and other in the spring.

Beder Journal of Humanities will feature academic works appropriate to the scientific criteria. Papers must be consistent with the scientific conception of the field. For that purpose we are announcing our principles of publishing openly. Papers must respect ideas, faiths and personalities. Papers must observe objectivity, accuracy and citation rules. Ideas belong to other authors must be indicated with academic citation rules. When citing another authors work ideas shall not be distorted and citations shall preserve the accuracy of the original work.

We believe that it is important in social sciences to produce new concepts and innovation in the methods of expression as well as contribution to science. For this reason we believe that area studies are important. Also we are planning to reserve special place to the scientific works written benefiting from the new research methods in social sciences.
Without limiting ourselves with any of the scientific paradigms we will support scientific works produced in order to open new horizons in the field of research and to bring innovation in science.

It is clear that mono dimensional researches about society and the human being are defective. Therefore we believe that research about spiritual dimension of human life is important and has so many things to contribute to the field of humanities.

In this first issue of Beder Journal of Humanities we have selected twelve papers. First paper is the keynote address delivered by Prof. Dr. Hans Köchler at the First International Conference on Humanities: “The Spiritual Quest” He re-edited his paper “Humanities in a Globalised World” especially for this first issue of the journal. Also in this issue we have Mark O. Webb’s “Spirituality, Morality and Social Order”, Ahmet Ecirli and Ana Uka’s “A Review on the Spiritual Values of the Education System in Turkish Colleges: Albania Case”, Francesco Zannini’s “Religious Freedom from the Perspective of Fundamental Human Rights”, Ali Akpinar’s “Sanctions of Religion in Social Activities”, Atakan Derelioğlu’s “The Higher Objectives of the Islamic Divine Law”, Hamit Boriçi and Jolanda Lila’s “Spirituality in Naim Frasheri Poems”, Recep Ardoğan’s “Religious Freedom and Pluralism in Islam”, Bayram Karçıl “Globalization, Economy and Religion”, Adem Balaban’s “The Role of Spirituality in Novels: “Black Book” and “Love””, Rahim Ombashi and Belfiore Qose’s “Spirituality of the Albanian Society Based on the Study of the Novel “Albanian Song” of K. Trebeshinës ” and Bilal Sambur’s “Religious Freedom as the Foundation of Spirituality.”

And finally we are grateful to our colleagues who contributed their papers for this first issue of the journal. Also many thanks are due to the colleagues and friends who contributed in the preparation and publication of the journal.

We hope you enjoy and benefit it
Hope to meet you in the second issue of the journal...
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