

Dear Readers,

Statistika: Statistics and Economy Journal of the Czech Statistical Office celebrates its 98th anniversary this year. Upon this occasion we would like to express our thanks for your continuous interest in this scientific peer-reviewed quarterly.

The journal of *Statistika*, in its current form, has been issued since 1964 following the tradition of the *Československý statistický věstník* (Czechoslovak Statistical Bulletin), established back in 1920. In the period from 1931 to 1961 the journal was called *Statistický obzor* (Horizons of Statistics) and then in a short period (1962–1963) it was named *Statistika a kontrola* (Statistics and Control). Since 2011, it has been published quarterly in English only (both in print and online versions).

Over the years the journal of *Statistika* has went through numerous changes following requirements of its readers, visions of the journal board members, and professional interests of its authors. It has become a truly valuable heritage of the Czech Statistical Office, which is carefully looked after by the Editorial and Executive Boards with the objective to strive for its quality and development. We are therefore really proud of the fact that the journal has been indexed in Scopus (since 2015) and in the *ESCI* database of the Web of Science (WoS; since 2016). This year we also expect a full evaluation in the core WoS database. Starting from 2018, the journal of *Statistika* also newly introduces continuous pagination of the whole volume throughout the entire year.

In 2018, we celebrate the 100th anniversary of foundation of Czechoslovakia. The 100th anniversary of the state official statistics will follow next year (the State Statistical Office was founded in 1919). These events will also be commemorated on the pages of the journal: throughout 2018 and 2019 special papers reminding previous developments in the fields of official statistics as well as essential achievements will be published.

On behalf of the Executive Board of the journal we are looking forward to further cooperation with all the authors bringing results of analyses in the fields of economy, the environment, or social sciences and reflecting the role of official statistics in supporting decision making processes at all levels.

We also believe that the papers published in our journal will continue to be of great value both for the everyday work and professional growth of our readers. We wish all our partners plenty of creative thoughts and professional success.

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