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The uniqueness of the journal consists in the presentation of high quality analytical outcomes aimed at either

supporting of decision-making processes or presenting of original and up-to-date methodologies. The value of any analytical result is directly determined by the quality of the data employed. In this respect, national statistical institutions producing these data can, undoubtedly, be taken as the most competent bodies for the comprehensive and relevant interpretation and use of available statistics. Concerning this, national statistical experts represent a significant group of the journal contributors.

On the other hand, the quality and information value of any analytical work is also conditioned by the maturity of the methodological apparatus applied. That is the reason other large group of our journal authors consists of representatives of the research and development sphere. The synergic connection of data producers and methodology creators, which one can see on the pages of our periodical, has a great potential to contribute to the debate and efforts in strengthening the bridge between theory and practice of the official statistics.

From now on the periodical will be published in English only. We have also invested a great effort into the development of its new layout, as well as a modern and user-friendly design. I wish the journal a lot of inspired readers and plenty of creative authors. I hope that papers presented on its pages will be valuable both for your everyday work and professional growth.

**Iva Ritschelová**

President of the Czech Statistical Office

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