Dear Readers,

I would like to welcome all readers to this latest issue of Gospodarka Narodowa. The Polish Journal of Economics as our publication enters its 91st year in existence.

Over the decades Gospodarka Narodowa has established itself as a leading economic journal in Poland, and we are also working to gain increasing international recognition.

Our previous issue, 4/2021, included an article by Grzegorz Konat and Anna Jarosz-Nojszewska summing up the first nine decades of Gospodarka Narodowa [Konat, Nojszewska, 2021]. The article confirmed that the journal was constantly involved in national economic debate throughout this time and strove to highlight different points of view, although this was not always possible. As the authors conclude in their paper: “Gospodarka Narodowa has come a long way” (p. 21).

In 2021, we published a total of 24 research papers, including 12 in English. For the first time in the journal’s history, half the articles were published in a language other than Polish. We will try to maintain this proportion and even increase it as the number of original English-language submissions grows.

I would also like to thank all the reviewers who take the time to comment on submissions from authors. In 2021, articles submitted to the journal were reviewed by a total of 66 people. The list of reviewers is available on the journal’s website, at www.gnpje.sgh.waw.pl.

In 2021, a total of 78 articles were submitted to Gospodarka Narodowa. The Polish Journal of Economics, up from 72 in 2020. Forty-five of these articles were in English, up from 30 in 2020. For the first time, more than half the submissions were articles written in a language other than Polish.

One of the submitted papers was withdrawn and 45 were rejected, including eight after reviews and 37 as outright desk rejections. The overall rejection rate was 58 percent, up from 53 percent in 2020.

The average waiting period for a paper to be finally accepted after being submitted was 181 days in 2021, compared with 161 days in 2020. This period has become longer because of a growing number of articles waiting to be approved and more revision stages during the review process.

I would like to remind Authors that articles submitted to the GNPJE in English must be carefully checked for language before being submitted to the editorial office.

This is particularly important as the number of such submissions is increasing and the GNPJE is expanding its presence in the international scientific circuit. In 2021, the list of article databases and repositories in which Gospodarka Narodowa. The Polish Journal of Economics is indexed expanded further to include the EBSCO database.

The most important change in the functioning of the GNPJE is that starting from this issue, the journal will exclusively be available online. It will no longer appear in print. In connection with this, we have joined the Portico digital preservation service, which ensures the secure archiving of online publications in the long term. We are convinced that the exclusive internet presence of the GNPJE will not affect our readership.
I would like to strongly encourage everyone to read the articles in this issue of the GNPJE as well as those in previous issues. They are available in full on our open-access website, www.gnpje.sgh.waw.pl.

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