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Editorial

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EDITORIAL

Welcome to the third issue of the *Silesian Journal of Legal Studies* (SJLS).

Previous volumes have proven that legal discourse over borders is not only possible, but also desired. We have observed a significant interest in our journal in Poland and in other countries. Therefore we intend to continue the idea of overcoming frontiers and obstacles in spreading ideas, opinions, analyses and information on law and legal systems.

The present volume contains articles written by experts in various branches of law who come from Poland, Spain and the United Kingdom. The authors present topics on administrative, civil, financial, criminal, and canon law, as well as on economics.

It is worth mentioning that for the first time we have included an article in Spanish: *La eficacia civil de las resoluciones canónicas de nulidad y disolución del matrimonio en el sistema jurídico español*, written by Piotr Rygula, and in French: *L'humanisme en criminologie et dans la lutte contre la criminalité* by Leon Chelmicki – Tyszkiewicz. We hope that this will encourage authors native to Romanic languages to contribute to our journal, which may then interest an even wider range of readers.

The articles published in this volume examine not only general and the European issues, like the above mentioned article on the idea of humanism in criminology, the concept of sector-specific regulations or the mortgage markets in Europe but also very specialized matters, as for example the remission of taxes in Poland, the regulation of commonholds in England and marriage law in Spain. This volume also contains two book reviews, one concerning the administrative law and the other – land law.

In this issue we have also included a special element. The volume contains a list of selected monographs published in 2009 and 2010 by the researchers from the Faculty of Law and Administration and a list of conferences organised or co – organised by our Faculty and our foundation *Facultas Iuridica*. We believe that researchers from other faculties and countries will find it interesting to learn about the scientific fields which are explored by their colleagues from the University of Silesia. This idea is fully justified because according to the Polish Minister of Science and Higher Education, in 2010 our Faculty took the first place among all Polish law faculties in the field of conducted scientific research.

Thank you for your interest in this issue. I hope that you find its contents interesting and useful. As always, we invite researchers from Polish and foreign universities to contribute to our Journal (find us at: www.sjls.us.edu.pl).

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