## **EDITORS' NOTE**

As many analysts predicted, 2024 did not bring satisfactory solutions to the stability of the international security architecture. Moreover, it can be said that the situation in the world – In Ukraine, the Middle East and the Far East – is getting more unstable and unpredictable by the month. Many experts put a big question mark on the behavior of one of the most important players on the global geopolitical stage – the United States of America. Without prejudging how U.S. policy will ultimately take shape under the administration of new President Donald Trump, it can already be said without risk that, at least in the declarative sphere, Trump wants to revise many of the strategic policies of outgoing President Joe Biden. In addition, new technological innovations are appearing on the threat map, affecting the functioning of entire societies, but also related to the security sphere. First among these innovations is artificial intelligence.

Many of these issues have become the subject of analysis in this issue of the periodical "Ante Portas - Security Studies". Our authors consider such issues as new security threats, cyber-terrorism, Artificial Intelligence and CBRN, among others. The authors also continue the topic of the Russian-Ukrainian war, not only from a military point of view, but also as an area of financial war or war for food. This issue also includes one review article, by Piotr Gil.

Among the authors were regular editors and contributors to the journal, as well as those who are publishing their texts for the first time in the pages of "Ante Portas - Security Studies". Traditionally, our periodical has gathered an international group of experts – from Poland, Ukraine, Georgia, Moldova, Denmark, the United Kingdom.

Issue 21, as you will have noticed, is reissued as a yearbook. With the release of this issue, we are ending a transitional period in the history of our journal, and in future issues we want to focus on thematic issues, enriched with other materials — reviews, interviews, analysis. Starting in the month of January, the journal will be headed by a new editorial team led by well-known securitologist and political scientist Vakhtang Maisaia.

We wish you enjoyable reading, lots of inspiration, and encourage you to contact our magazine and submit articles and comments.

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