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## Editorial

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Tekst jest udostępniony do wykorzystania w ramach dozwolonego użytku.

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The year 2012 should be estimated as a very successful for the *Silesian Journal of Legal Studies* (SJLS). The Journal has obtained its first points on the ministerial list of scientific journals. These four points seem to be a real triumph for the very young journal issued one a year. The success encourages the editorial board to continue the main mission of the SJLS which is the legal discourse over geographical and legal borders. Simultaneously, it is also a big challenge. Therefore the Scientific Board of the SJLS has been expanded. We heartedly welcome as members of this body Professor Nadezda Rozehnalova from Masaryk University in Brno (the Czech Republic), Docent Andrea Olsovska from University in Trnava (Slovakia) and Professor Javier Lete from University in Santiago de Compostela (Spain).

Moreover the first level reviewing committee has been also formally created in order to strengthen the double – blind reviewing procedure.

The current issue, SJLS no. 5, consists of five articles and essays, three book reviews, one report and materials dedicated to the scientific life of the Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Silesia. Many of the presented books and most of the conferences were organised with the financial support of the Foundation “*Facultas Iuridica*”. The edition of the SJLS no. 5 has been also issued thanks to our Foundation.

Two texts are of interdisciplinary nature. They show mutual relations among constitutional law, philosophy and sociology. The constitutional issues are analysed in the essay entitled *Constitutional Sociology and Politics: Theories and Memories* by Paulo Ferreira da Cunha. Similar elements and human rights issues are taken up by Adam Jakuszczyk in his article *Practical Application of the Human Dignity Clause – the German Example*. We can see the Portuguese and Polish/German approaches to the essence of statehood.

Two other articles are dedicated to the crucial issues of the business law – the public procurements: *The Principle of Fair Competition in Description of the Subject-Matter of Procurement – the Analysis of the Case-Law of Poland and of the European Union* by Magdalena Czajkowska and *Contracts Related to Public Procurements in the Polish Legal System* by Michał Kania.

Finally, the criminal matters are taken on by Piotr Stępnik in his article in French dedicated to work of juvenile probation officers – *Les curateurs professionnels et sociaux exerçant une surveillance des mineurs*. He presents the results of research on 225 cases. This article shows law in action with all its strong points and defeats.

I hope that you will find this issue interesting and useful. As always, researchers from Polish and foreign universities are invited to contribute to our Journal (find us at: [www.sjls.us.edu.pl](http://www.sjls.us.edu.pl)).

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