

From Editor-in-Chief

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Dear Readers,

There is before you the tenth issue of the internationally double-blind peer-reviewed scientific journal *Transactions on Maritime Science*. It is published by the Faculty of Maritime Studies of the University of Split. As always, the Journal is published in the printed and electronic, open access form. Our desire is for our readers to have an easy access at minimum expense.

This issue brings eight papers from several scientific areas. The number of authors is high, 22 of those who have given their contributions to the papers before you. They come from the scientific institutions of Belgium, Equador, France, Italy, Poland, and Croatia.

In the first three papers there is a modern approach using modelling methods to the traditional transport issues, supported by examples from some member countries of the European Union. In the following three papers the authors deal with the assessment of risks of collision and pollution, basing their research on the examples of Croatian ports of Split and Šibenik. Radio-frequency identification (RFID) is the topic of the seventh paper in which the authors present RFID as a technology providing automatic identification and real time data acquisition capabilities without requiring additional human resources. The

last paper is from the field of Maritime English with two examples of teaching practices as performed at the maritime universities in Split, Croatia and Gdynia, Poland.

The “Contribution” section brings you the news from the International Maritime Organisation in London, reported by our associate Tatjana Krilić. All the news from the past six months has been brought.

You will also find some news with regard to the previous numbers. The presentation of the Festival of Science (held in 18 Croatian towns simultaneously) should be pointed out as well as the contribution of the Faculty of Maritime Studies of the University of Split.

We have also remained faithful to another area we wish to promote: the Croatian cultural heritage. Again a poem, this time written by Ante Božanić, born in Komiža, island of Vis. This contribution is presented in a bilingual form with the striking translation by Mirna Čudić. Readers of the electronic edition can listen to an impressive presentation of the poem by the author in person.

We always remain in the hope that the papers we publish will encourage your cooperation.