

The International Journal of Asian Philosophical Association (IJAPA) has completed its first decade with success. The present issue, as well as the next one, Volume 12, 2019, has three articles in the Bangla language. These articles give information about the culture and thought of the region. As each one of these articles has an extended abstract, our English readers will also get a long summary of the issues discussed in these articles. We would like to thank Dr. Meer Monjur Mahmood, Professor of the Department of Islamic Studies, Asian University of Bangladesh (Dhaka, Bangladesh) for collecting and preparing the articles in Bangla for publication. As our members and readers know, some of our past issues/volumes of *IJAPA* were devoted to Asian community languages. We would like to request our contributors to present articles in all Asian languages so that we can plan ahead for the coming volumes and/or issues. Please be informed that if you present an article in your language, you must provide an extended abstract of about 800 words. We stipulate the same requirement for presentations in the discussions section. However, if an article is presented for discussions in English, no abstract is required. For the year 2018 we had planned our issues in the language of Bahasa, spoken in Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Singapore. However, we received no response, and we hope that we can actualize this next year. For this, we need editors; if possible, one from Malaysia and one from Indonesia would be preferable. We already have scholars from these countries on our Board, and if they volunteer, they can assist our special Asian language issue.

As you know, last year we started another section in our journal for graduate students. Graduate student forum editor Zehra Vlug-Unver of Ibn Haldun University, Alliance of Civilizations Institute. Graduate students who are interested in publishing their works can contact her at zehravlug@gmail.com. We encourage our colleagues also to direct their students to send their papers. We hope that this will give a good platform for young scholars of the future to express their opinions in a scholarly forum. The papers presented will be evaluated by our editor, and will be published with the approval of the editorial board.

As we have explained in previous issues, the guidelines for authors have been updated, and an extended set of editorial guidelines has been printed in every issue in order to facilitate the editorial work of the publishers. We have also decided to apply both the Chicago Manual of Style and APA formats, beginning with the first issue. As we have indicated before, the scope of our journal is not intended to be limited to that of philosophy narrowly defined, but to include and encourage rigorous interdisciplinary and comparative work. Papers not submitted in these formats cannot be accepted for a peer-review process.

Please remember that we need books for reviews. If you find any book of interest, you can review it and send us your writing. So far, we have given priority to our members, but now we are open for any book that is relevant to our goal as a society. Please bring your recently published books to our congress and conferences, and we will present them to our book review editor. If you have a book to suggest for review, please contact our editor Alparslan Açıkgenç, and he will find the expert to review the book.

We welcome any opinions and suggestions from our members to improve *IJAPA*.

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