Foreword

A year ago, when it was decided to publish the "International Journal of Economic Sciences and Applied Research", we knew very well that this would not be an easy task, since it requires a considerable time investment and the multi-dimensional support of the scientific community. In the meantime, we had to overcome many technical difficulties, communicate with many colleagues from different institutes, fields and countries, in order to listen to their opinion concerning this effort, form the Editorial Board, including well-known worldwide scientists, make our intention known to the wide scientific community and obtain the necessary financial support.

Today, we are in the very pleasant position to present to the scientific community the inaugural issue of the journal. The articles included are all invited papers.

IJESAR aims at attracting scientists whose wider research interests lie in Economic Science. It intends to publish original articles, which will open new horizons in this field and to promote the dialogue and juxtaposition on a number of areas within the Economic Science field.

We hope that the scientific community will positively assess this effort and we will do our best to turn IJESAR into a very reputable scientific journal, which will significantly contribute towards the enrichment of the scientific thought.

Kavala, April 2008 Editor-in-Chief Prof. Dr. Anastasios Karasavvoglou