

Foreword

of Ingineria Iluminatului – The Journal of Lighting Engineering

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INGINERIA ILUMINATULUI – The Journal of Lighting Engineering started in 1999 and had 33 issues at its end, in June 2014. It was launched through a European Research Program by Professor Florin POP, from Technical University of Cluj-Napoca, with the cooperation of the Universities of Helsinki, Barcelona and Naples.

["Lighting Engineering Centre - LEC - an excellence centre for consultancy and continuing education the lighting field in direct link with the needs of the labour market, 1998/99 Tempus-Phare CMS - Compact Measures Project - CME-03551-97" was dedicated to disseminate lighting knowledge and to promote direct contacts between our students and other interested people - local designers, dealers, engineers - and lighting community with high specialists from Romania and abroad. This project, developed during December 15, 1998 – March 14, 2000, concentrated the efforts of university professors from Cluj-Napoca, Barcelona, Helsinki and Naples.]

High lighting personalities joined the Editorial and Advisory Boards and/or contributed with scientific papers to develop a prestigious lighting journal.

The first four issues were sponsored by EU, the following ones by ELECTRICA Local distribution branch and, later, by sponsors and Lighting Engineering Centre/Laboratory UTC-N. The journal started as the only Romanian lighting journal which brought together specialists in lighting community; the objectives of the review were the presentation of the results of the lighting research activity, the dissemination of the lighting knowledge, the education of the interested people working in public administration, constructions, designers, dealers, engineers, students and others. It was originally printed mainly in English and translated to Romanian, and few articles in Romanian with a large English abstract of the papers, to penetrate the Romanian market and to be in the support of Romanian professionals. This policy lasted until issue no. 11 (Vol. 5, No. 1, June 2003). Afterwards, the published articles were only in English with a large translation to Romanian – issues no. 12-14 (Vol. 5, No. 2, 2003 - Vol. 6, No. 2, 2004). Starting with issue no. 15 (Vol. 7, No. 1, 2005), the journal was printed entirely in English, sometimes with short abstracts of articles in Romanian.

The journal had a half-yearly appearance. Its content was organised in six parts: Editorial, Scientific Papers, Theses and Dissertations, Conferences and Symposiums, Information, Anniversary. The journal was also available in open access, in PDF format on the web site.

Step by step, it was transformed into a European journal with accent on Early Stage Researchers – ESR. The latest lighting developments researches, state of the art designs, PhD theses and also the past and future lighting events in Europe were all put together.

During the 15 years of existence, its pages hosted 228 authors with their research papers, scientific or technical information and celebration of personalities.

I retired in October 2009 as professor from the Technical University. Consequently, I withdrew from the Editor-in-chief, and, later, from the Executive Editor positions of the Journal of Lighting Engineering - INGINERIA ILUMINATULUI.

Now, in December 2015, I would very much like to address my heartiest thanks to all the people involved in the INGINERIA ILUMINATULUI - Journal of Lighting Engineering presence in the lighting world, high personalities and authors, professionals working in lighting field, for their great cooperation, for their special relationship during these 15 years and 33 issues of our journal, published between May 1999 and June 2014.

It was a great pleasure to work together with all of them to create and develop a lighting journal having high professional standards.

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