## DEAR READERS,

it is my pleasure to present you the new issue of Quality of Life magazine and to thank you for your trust. In 2023, we continued to work to provide our readers with high-quality and interesting research papers in the various disciplines encompassing the Science and technology of food, Public health engineering, Sanitary inspection and control, Environmental and public health in our country, the region as well as at the international level. The topics covered in this issue of the Quality of Life magazine are diverse and address current issues in health, food technology, and environmental protection.

The journal Quality of Life was registered in the Register of Public Media in 2010 by the Decision of the RS Ministry of Education and Culture. Over the past years, this journal has published a large number of original scientific research papers, communications and review papers. Quality of Life is published twice a year by Pan-European University "Apeiron" Banja Luka. All the papers published so far have undergone a thorough review by the editorial board and the reviewers, made up of experts from both RS/B&H, the surrounding and other countries, from proven and recognized university and research institutions. As a result of a professional approach to selecting and reviewing papers, and raising the quality of the journal, Quality of Life was classified in the first category of journals in 2019 by the Ministry of Education and Culture. We are proud to say that Quality of Life has been well received by the scientific and the general public in a relatively short period, which gives the editorial board a strong motivation for further work. The editorial team would like to thank our many reviewers who helped to maintain the journal standard; our many authors who submitted their best work to the journal; and, most importantly, our readers for your continuing support. I assure all our readers that our consistent efforts will be aimed toward increasing the visibility, impact, editorial cycle time, citations and overall quality of our journal. We very much look forward to strengthening the reputation of our publications, and we want to attract more higher-quality submissions.

As always, I would like to thank the authors for their contributions to this issue of the magazine, and express great gratitude to all the reviewers who participated in the editorial process by providing valuable feedback to the editors and authors in a timely manner. We also extend our heartfelt thanks to the numerous authors who submitted their best papers to the magazine, and most importantly, to our readers for their continued support.

In the spirit of continuous improvement, any constructive input on streamlining our processes is very welcome. Please help us grow by citing articles that you read in Quality of Life. We look forward to receiving your contributions in the near future.

Editors