## Letter from the Editor

## Dear Reader,

This is the 100th anniversary issue of Fibres & Textiles in Eastern Europe.

We are glad that for over twenty years we have been able to provide our readers with interesting scientific information as well as an international forum for our authors, enabling them to present their scientific considerations and research results.

Great evidence of the growing interest in our journal is the fact that authors from 55 countries, from all continents, have already been published in Fibres & Textiles in Eastern Europe. A number of factors contributed to achieving this leading position. Looking back and analysing one hundred issues of our edited journal, it seems it is the right time for a moment of reflection.

When in 1993 I had the honor of taking over the duties of editor-in-chief of Fibres & Textiles in Eastern Europe, we were a modest informational journal, available only in hard copies, with the number of scientific articles not exceeding twenty per year, which today is approximately the number of articles published in one issue of our bi-monthly journal. Nowadays, we are a fully scientific journal, inserted on the Thomson Reuters Master Journal List of the Institute for Scientific Information, in Philadelphia, USA, and we have an impact factor, not to mention the fact that we are now a free accessible journal available online at our website fibtex.lodz.pl, as well as in the form of a hard-copy.

We try not only to select papers of a high scientific level but also of a unique or remarkable character and to publish articles written in good English on a high editorial level. Of course, it does not mean that we can rest on our laurels. We are determined to improve the scientific level of Fibres & Textiles in Eastern Europe even more, but the most important is to shorten the time of the reviewing process. We will also make attempts to develop the already broadened scientific spectrum of our journal connected with the present scope of the journal's owner, the Institute of Biopolymers and Chemical Fibres. In order to achieve all these goals, the joint effort and commitment of our entire team is necessary.

At present, in running and editing Fibres & Textiles in Eastern Europe, five members of the Editorial Department are involved, supported by twelve members of the Editorial Committee, under the guidance of fifteen members of the Scientific Programming Board, two of whom, including the chairman prof. Andrzej Ziabicki, remember the first issue of Fibres & Textiles in Eastern Europe.

All of them, as listed by name on the first page of each journal, I would like to heartily thank for their cooperation, and hope that with our joint effort it will be possible not only to maintain the present position of our journal, but also to improve particular aspects of our activity.

Sincerely,

Editor-in-Chief

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