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Editorial: Launching Istanbul Policy Review

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Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Istanbul Policy Review (IPR)! We are delighted to present a platform that serves as a dynamic bridge between social science communities across disciplines and continents. Our mission is to facilitate sharing valuable information, foster vibrant debates, and engage the broadest possible audience.

At the heart of the IPR lies a deep commitment to interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary work that challenges the status quo. We actively encourage researchers to explore innovative approaches and push the boundaries of current methodologies. Whether your work is applied or theoretical, we invite you to join us in shaping the future of social science research.

The IPR aims to become a forum for insightful review, critical reflection, and engaging discussions informed by the latest international social science research. We seek to provide a supportive and inclusive home for work that not only asks questions in new and thought-provoking ways but also employs original methods to address classic problems. We believe these fresh perspectives can have far-reaching implications, extending beyond the confines of specific disciplines and reaching wider audiences outside the academic realm.

In this inaugural issue, we are thrilled to present four exceptional articles that embody the spirit of the IPR. These articles have undergone a rigorous peer review process to ensure the highest standards of quality and integrity.

Mohitha Mohan's article, "Integration and Disintegration in Europe: A Study on Brexit," delves into the complex dynamics of European integration and disintegration, shedding light on the socio-political implications of this ongoing process. Vangelis Gkagkkelis presents "Notes on the Alternative Geopolitics of 'Solidarity and Cooperation Economy,'" offering fresh perspectives on the global economic landscape and exploring potential alternatives to traditional models. Murat Özay Taşkin's "Example of Syrian Refugees in the Scope of Turkey's Migration Policy and Management" provides valuable insights into the challenges refugees face and the policy frameworks in place to manage migration flows. Lastly, Mohamad Zreik's "Post-Russo-Ukrainian War: Taiwan More Cautious and Perceptive" examines the geopolitical implications of the Russo-Ukrainian conflict, focusing on how it has influenced Taiwan's approach to international relations.

As we embark on this exciting journey, we hope that this inaugural issue of the IPR catalyzes meaningful discussions, inspires further research endeavours, and contributes to the advancement of knowledge in the social sciences. We encourage you to immerse yourself in

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the diverse perspectives presented within these pages and engage in the intellectual exchange they provoke.

In the wake of the devastating pandemic that has swept across the globe, the world now faces an increasingly dire economic crisis and a surge in regional conflicts within the international system. Rather than abating, these conflicts seem to escalate, presenting a formidable challenge to the global community.

In this second issue, we have made it our mission to delve deep into the growing economic crisis and the regional conflicts that have become a pressing concern for nations worldwide. As we strive to unravel the complexities surrounding these critical issues, we invite you to join us in shedding light on the underlying causes, analysing the far-reaching consequences, and exploring potential solutions.

The economic crisis, exacerbated by the pandemic, has left economies reeling and societies grappling with unprecedented challenges. Unemployment rates have soared, businesses have shuttered, and governments have struggled to provide relief to their citizens. By examining the intricacies of this crisis, we aim to foster a better understanding of its root causes and identify strategies to rebuild economies and create a more equitable future.

Simultaneously, regional conflicts have erupted across the globe, exacerbating tensions and hindering efforts for peaceful resolutions. From territorial disputes to ideological clashes, these conflicts have far-reaching implications for both regional stability and global security. Through rigorous analysis and thoughtful discourse, we seek to shed light on these conflicts, explore potential avenues for de-escalation, and promote dialogue to foster lasting peace.

We invite you, our esteemed readers, to contribute your invaluable insights and thought-provoking articles on this subject. Together, let us unravel the complexities of the economic crisis and regional conflicts, explore their interconnections, and work towards a more stable and prosperous future for all.

Your contributions will be pivotal in shaping the discourse surrounding these pressing global issues. We eagerly anticipate your submissions and look forward to starting this enlightening journey together.

Thank you for joining us in this endeavour. We look forward to your continued support and participation as we strive to establish the IPR as a premier platform for interdisciplinary research and scholarly discourse.

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