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Our journal, The Holistic Approach to Environment, has entered into its sixth year of continuous issuing. We have survived all the difficulties and we increased journal's quality as well as visibility. All these years our multidisciplinary journals have team with lot of fascination and enthusiasm. Unfortunately, financial resources for developing holistic approach to environment are still poor.

The fact that the contemporary world is deeply in the state of crisis is rarely disputed these days, but rising of the consciousness of the need to make the change in the essence of the human relationships as well as relationships between humans from one side and animals and nature on the another side are not seen coming.

Brutally exploitation of one human over another, ruthlessness and cynicism are constances of contemporary market capitalist economy in almost all over the world. Greedily cummulation of wealth of few percent member of the so-called elite, with the pauperisation and fear of the significant part of humanity is just consequence of such global economy. It is so often that the absolutely unsustainable conditions are called sustainable development. The real sustainable development, hope for future generations, must include the ecological sensitivity and social justice.

The environmental pollution is not constituted just of emission of CO₂, CH₄ or SO₂ to the atmosphere; greed, so-called competitiveness (in fact materialistic bloodlust) religious exclusiveness and selfishness are more damaging to the

environment than acid rain. Benevolence and closeness are as necessary for pleasant and sensible living as are pure water and clean air.

We live in the beginning of 21st century we definitely can no longer speak about the environmental protection, this perspective is so arrogant. We should think and teach of understanding the environment, if we do not want to understand our environment it will be tragic end to our civilization. Floods, tornadoes, earthquakes, vulcanoes, epidemics... The human relationships constitute the key part of the true understanding of the environment. If we would not be amicable to other humans nature will be cruel to us.

Traditionally, in every first yearly issue, I would like to commemorate our late professor, colleague and friend, Alenka Rastovčan Mioč. Her tragic death ended her wide range of activities including holistic environmentalism promotion in the Croatian society. She remains inspiration in fight for a cleaner environment.

In the 21 issues published so far, the authors of the papers came from the following 19 countries on 3 continents:

1. Austria
2. Bosnia and Herzegovina
3. Croatia
4. Czech Republic
5. Denmark
6. Germany
7. Greece
8. India
9. Iran

10. Jordan
11. Nigeria
12. Pakistan
13. Poland
14. Saudi Arabia
15. Slovakia
16. Spain
17. Thailand
18. Tunisia
19. Turkey

It is always important to mention that in our journal although chemistry, mechanical engineering and ethics are the core disciplines, other scientific views on material as well as spiritual environment are very welcome.

The whole Earth is exposed to the more and more frightening repercussions of the climate changes. Terrorism also threatens our future. People without any amicability and compassion are in some parts of world in position to be violent and evil. Holistic environmentalism is not just theory, it is way of thinking and living.

Unless we stop the ones who destroyed material and spiritual environment, our scientifically established methods of cleaning for example wastewater will not be sufficient to stop the global catastrophe. Our scientific duty is to propose real sustainable models of pleasant and amicable coexistence and offer them to people. Let do it.

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