

Foreword

The new volume of *Nowa Kodyfikacja Prawa Karnego* [New Codification of Criminal Law] is a publication prepared entirely in English in line with our journal's policy. International cooperation and scholarly exchange are — given the different domestic solutions, often completely different experiences and specific problems — important factors in today's scholarship. In our global world scholarship cannot really develop the way it should without contacts with research results from various cultural and geographical areas. This is why one of the most important tasks of good academic journals is to try to join such an exchange of views.

Our journal, with its clearly defined profile, seeks to enable its foreign readers to get to know the basic institutions of Polish criminal law. The idea is to present specific, sometimes clearly autonomous constructs, our vast experience and everyday problems. In addition, our so-called foreign editions feature analyses of dogmatic, theoretical and philosophical problems that are a part of a discussion going on in all countries of our cultural area. Their universal nature and thus possibility of fully assessing the level of the analyses and quality of the argumentation is not only an attempt to satisfy cognitive needs but also an invitation to join the discourse and exchange of ideas.

The Editorial Team and the Academic Board of our journal believe that the studies collected in the present issue are interesting as they provide new insights, are up to date in terms of the scope of the analysed problems and, what is particularly satisfying, are on the highest scholarly level. The detailed analyses appear attractive, especially from the

point of view of foreign readers. Thanks to the authors of the studies collected in the present issue, *Nowa Kodyfikacja Prawa Karnego* is increasingly making its presence felt in the international sphere of the so-called professional scholarly communication.

dr hab. Tomasz Kalisz, prof. nadzw. UWr