

## Foreword

We are happy to present to our readers another volume of *Nowa Kodyfikacja Prawa Karnego* (*New Codification of Criminal Law*), which, in line with our recently adopted publishing policy, is an English-language volume. The objective is to strengthen our position, also in international circulation. Our experience with previous such volumes and, above all, favourable opinions from abroad, strengthen our conviction that such publications are needed.

Papers published in the volume contain analyses concerning criminal law, law of criminal procedure, executive criminal law and fiscal criminal law. Among them are papers providing critical analyses of the numerous acts of parliament amending provisions of the various codes. In addition, we will find papers devoted to criminology and forensic science. The detailed problems tackled by the authors include combatting cybercrime, determining the basic directives of sentencing by courts as well as criteria of fiscal offences. The authors also discuss the obligation to redress damage applied in the course of conditional release, as well as capital fraud from the perspective of regulations applicable in Poland and its neighbouring countries. Worthy of note are specialist analyses concerning examination of handwriting, combined with a presentation of results of empirical studies.

The authors of papers included in the present volume have presented theoretical and practical issues associated with the ever changing legal situation as well as the most relevant problems currently discussed in broadly defined criminological sciences. They have distanced themselves from solutions that arouse a lot of controversy on account of their lack of precision.

Significantly, the authors of the papers published in *Nowa Kodyfikacja Prawa Karnego* are mainly young scholars. Their papers are often quoted in commentaries, textbooks, monographs and other publications by scholars regarded as unquestionable authorities on the subject. This testifies to the high value of the work of these young academics.

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