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## EDITORIAL PREFACE

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We are delighted to present the second issue of the 20 volume of the SEEU Review for the 2025 year. As the flagship journal of South East European University, our commitment to fostering academic dialogue across disciplines remains steadfast. The articles published in this issue have been rigorously selected, reflecting both the growing interest in contributing to the SEEU Review and our commitment to upholding academic excellence.

In line with our editorial standards, all submissions underwent a thorough double-blind peer-review process and were screened using the *Ithenticate* similarity check system to ensure originality and quality. This issue features a rich variety of research papers spanning the fields of social sciences, law, economics, public administration, international relations, languages and literatures, communications, environmental studies, and beyond.

This issue of SEEU Review brings together a rich and interdisciplinary collection of scholarly articles that reflect the breadth of contemporary academic inquiry at South East European University and beyond. The contributions span the fields of law, linguistics, media and communication studies, economics, political science, architecture, information technology, and behavioral sciences, demonstrating the journal's commitment to fostering diverse perspectives and methodological approaches. Collectively, these articles engage with both classical theoretical foundations—such as the emergence of legal science in Ancient Rome—and pressing contemporary challenges, including money laundering, probation reform, trade openness, systemic economic crises, and geopolitical relations between the European Union and Russia.

Several contributions focus on social and cultural dynamics, exploring intercultural communication, the integration of Anglicisms in Albanian-language media, the role of literary texts in language development, and the ethical dimensions of attributing nationality to architecture. Others examine human behavior and institutional performance, addressing emotional intelligence and job satisfaction in the public sector, investor sentiment during systemic crises, and interculturalism and cosmopolitan nationalism within the Albanian

national awakening. These studies highlight the importance of understanding identity, communication, and human behaviour in an increasingly interconnected and complex social environment.

At the same time, the issue advances empirical and applied research through analyses of cloud computing performance, economic growth in Southeast Europe, and legal mechanisms such as probation within the Republic of North Macedonia. Together, the articles contribute meaningful insights to academic debate, policy development, and professional practice. By bridging theory and application across disciplines, this issue reaffirms *SEEU Review*'s role as a platform for rigorous, relevant, and socially engaged scholarship.

As always, the SEEU Review operates on principles of academic integrity and transparency. Authors bear full responsibility for the content of their articles, and the views expressed are solely those of the respective contributors. The journal's editorial team takes great pride in presenting this issue and believes that the findings and discussions herein will contribute to the advancement of knowledge and innovation across disciplines.

This issue marks the final edition of the *SEEU Review* under my editorship in my capacity as Pro-Rector for Research and International Relations. From the next issue onward, the role of Editor-in-Chief will be assumed by Prof. Dr. Veland Ramadani, the newly elected Pro-Rector for Planning, Research, and Entrepreneurship at South East European University. This transition reflects the university's continued commitment to strengthening academic research, innovation, and scholarly publishing.

We invite our readers to engage with these articles, which we hope will inspire further research and dialogue.

Thank you for your continued support and interest in the SEEU Review.

Dr. Besa Arifi  
SEEU Review Editor-in-Chief