Editorial

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Biographical notes: Viktorija Skvarciany works as the Director of the Institute of Dynamic Management and as a chief research fellow at the Department of Economics Engineering. She is an active researcher and has published more than 40 articles, more than 20 of which are published in the journals indexed in CA WoS and/or Scopus databases. She has also been on internships in Switzerland (CERN), Italy (University of Foggia), Czech Republic (University of Technology Brno). She is the Managing Editor of the *Vilnius Tech* journal *Business, Management and Education* (CA WoS and Scopus) and a member of the editorial board of the following international scientific journals: *Prague Economic Papers* (CA WoS), *European Journal of International Management* (CA WoS), *Oeconomia Copernicana* (CA WoS), *Equilibrium – Quarterly Economic Papers* (CA WoS), *International Journal of Learning and Change* (Scopus), *International Journal of Economics and Business Research* (Scopus).

Contemporary management practices have attracted the focus of a wide range of scholars. The core question of contemporary management is how to adopt business technology; hence, the special issue is devoted to discussing these questions.

The special issue contains articles that were presented at the International Scientific Conference 'Contemporary Issues of Business, Management and Economics Engineering (CIBMEE-2019)' that was held by the Faculty of Business Management of Vilnius Gediminas Technical University (Vilnius, Lithuania).

The conference program included both plenary meeting and work in sessions. The plenary meeting included three speeches. Before the plenary meeting started, Professor Dr. Jelena Stankevičienė, the Dean of the Faculty of Business Management, welcomed the guests and announced the agenda of the meeting. After the welcome speech, Professor Dr. Jelena Stankevičienė gave the floor to the first speaker Professor Dr. Elina Gaile-Sarkane (Riga Technical University, Latvia). Elina Gaile-Sarkane presented her research 'University-industry cooperation: challenges of the Baltic Region'. In fact, university-industry cooperation issue has been widely discussed all around the world. Professor shared an excellent practice of university-industry cooperation's functioning based on Riga Technical University's example. The second speaker was Professor Habil. Dr. Czesław Mesjasz from Cracow University of Economics (Poland). His speech 'Theory of management in the era of information overabundance' was focused on mutual links between contemporary management and the theory. The third speaker was Professor Dr. Salvatore Monni (Roma Tre University, Italy). He presented the intermediate research outcomes obtained during the activities of the Horizon 2020 project 'Cluster Development Med (ClusDevMED)', which Vilnius Tech is a part of. The project is devoted to sustainable clusters

development in Mediterranean countries. It aims at finding solutions for the strengthening of existing Mediterranean clusters by supporting other EU knowledge and policies, to eliminate the distance between different stakeholders, and to find a way to develop a common approach to the relationship between food and water energy.

After the plenary meeting, the participants continued work in sections which were as follows:

- contemporary issues in economics engineering

- contemporary financial management

- contemporary organisations development management

- business processes: development, digitalisation, social responsibility

- legal business environment.

All the accepted articles were published in conference proceedings, and their authors were offered to publish the extended versions of their papers in conference journals-partners as a special issue.

The CIBMEE conference is biannual, and all the information is provided on the webpage (http://cibmee.vgtu.lt).