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FAREWELLS: A LOOK AT THE PAST, AND ACTIONS FOR THE FUTURE

In this special edition we're celebrating the 60th anniversary of *RAE-Revista de Administração de Empresas* and saying "Goodbye" as the journal's Editor-in-Chief and Co-Editor, respectively. It's time to express our thanks and briefly review the period that we have been heading up this journal.

First of all, our thanks to Getulio Vargas Foundation (*Fundação Getulio Vargas [FGV]*) and the São Paulo School of Business Administration (*Escola de Administração de Empresas de São Paulo [EAESP]*), which provided the financial support for producing *RAE* and the other periodicals that go to make up *RAE-publicações*: *GV-Executivo*, *Cadernos Gestão Pública e Cidadania* and *GVcasos*. But in addition to this essential support, we are also grateful for the trust in the editors of these publications, placed by FGV and by the current directors of EAESP, Professor Luiz Arthur Ledur Brito and Professor Tales Andreassi, and for the total freedom of expression we were given to run these periodicals. Science production and the dissemination of scientific knowledge can only occur in democratic and inclusive spaces. We are deeply grateful for the welcoming atmosphere in which we were pleasantly able to work. The article by Professor Carlos Osmar Bertero in this special edition highlights the role FGV EAESP and *RAE* played in this welcome during the most turbulent periods in Brazil.

Our profound thanks to each and every Editor-in-Chief who preceded us over the six fruitful decades since *RAE* was first created, and closer to today, to Professors Eduardo Diniz, Carlos Osmar Bertero, Flavio Carvalho de Vasconcelos, Francisco Aranha and Thomaz Wood Jr., who strengthened the journal's scientific standards and placed it on the international scene. At moments of social amnesia, like the one we are currently experiencing, it is even more relevant to refer to the past and the steps that were taken by all these editors so the journal could fulfil its pioneering and innovative role in Brazilian academia in Administration. We would also like to thank the current editors of *RAE-publicações*: Andrea Leite Rodrigues, Editor-in-Chief of *Cadernos Gestão Pública e Cidadania*, Martin Jayo, Co-Editor of *GVcasos*, and Adriana Wilner, Co-Editor of *GV-executivo*. It was a pleasure working with all of you remarkable professionals.

In the period when we were at the head of *RAE-publicações, RAE*, which had previously been published only in Portuguese, became a bilingual journal during our term as head of *RAE-publicações*, with the objective to continue making impact on Administration academia in Brazil, while at the same time seeking to move onto the international stage. Another relevant innovation was discontinuing the printed edition as we accompanied the digital transformation in scientific publishing. With the creation of the *Perspectives* section, we were able to invite and bring in authors who are renowned in their fields of research, and to publish articles that foster emerging discussions and trends in academia.

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Following careful assessment by the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), *RAE* was approved in 2016, and this approval has been renewed every year since then, which highlights the high standard of rigor, integrity and transparency in the journal's scientific certification and publication process.

Furthermore, having already been approved by the main international indexers of scientific journals, *RAE* has also been approved by nine databases in the last five years. It is worth noting that since 2016 *RAE* has achieved a maximum score of 11.0 *ICDS* (Secondary Composite Index Broadcasting) in *MIAR* (Information Matrix for the Analysis of Journals, Universitat de Barcelona), which is recognition of its approval by international indexers that are benchmarks in their fields. This is a score achieved by first-rate journals that have a worldwide reach.

It is also worth pointing out that *RAE* continues to enjoy high rates in terms of the total number of citations in the Journal Citation Reports of the Web of Science/Clarivate. In the latest ranking (2019), it reached a total of 611 citations, which is an increase of more than 600% compared to the first citation report received in 2011 (98). *RAE* is also the first Business Administration journal in the top 100 ranking of Portuguese-language journals by Google Scholar, with an h5-index 23 and an h5-median 33 classifications. Adding an indicator from a national database, *RAE* has maintained high rates of access to its content via the Scientific Electronic Library Online (SciELO), with more than three million accesses in 2020, in addition to having the highest citation rates among journals of Administration.

Scientific journals only exist thanks to the dedicated work of a democratic, but largely anonymous community, which involves associate editors and reviewers. We would like to express our special thanks to everyone, as well as to the professors who make up the **Advisor Board**, the **Editorial Policy Committee**, and the **Scientific Editorial Board**, and to the **Book Editors**.

We're enormously grateful to the production team: Aline Lilian dos Santos, Andréa Cerqueira, Denise Francisco Cândido, Eldi Soares and Ilda Fontes. It's no exaggeration to say that all *RAE-publicações* journals depend on the tireless and attentive daily work of everyone. We express here our deep gratitude for their dedication: the journals would not exist without the efforts of all of you.

This special edition includes an opening text written by Maria José Tonelli and Felipe Zambaldi, to present the authors who were invited to be a part of this commemorative, 60th anniversary edition of *RAE*, and to reflect on the future challenges of scientific journals in Administration. We would draw particular attention to the guest articles written by: Carlos Osmar Bertero, "Sixty years of *RAE*: A journey of criticism, resistance and reinvention"; Luiz Carlos Bresser-Pereira, "After capitalism, democratic managerialism"; Jean-François Chanlat, "The Influence of French language though on the Brazilian Administrative Sciences: A Quebec French look"; Alketa Peci and Lilian Alfaia Monteiro, "Academic journals as agents in the scientific field of Administration"; Ana Paula Paes de Paula, "Thirty Years: Life, reading and the written word with *RAE*"; and Juliana Cristina Teixeira, Josiane Silva de Oliveira, Ana Diniz and Mariana Mazzini Marcondes, "Inclusion and diversity in Management: A *manifesta* for the future-now".

To conclude this farewell editorial, we would like to welcome the new Editor-in-Chief of *RAE*, Professor Jorge Carneiro, who has distinguished himself by standing out in the academic community in Administration, both nationally and internationally, and whom we welcome with our best wishes for leading *RAE* on to a promising and even brighter future.

We hope you enjoy your read!

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