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This first editorial of 2019 is dedicated to one of the most important academic communities around the Brazilian Journal of Public Administration (RAP): the reviewers who are dedicated to analyzing all the papers received. It cannot be stressed enough how crucial the reviewers' work is for the quality of the articles published in this journal. Good reviewers make sure that the papers experience the natural improvement expected during the publication process. The work of reviewing demands not only pointing out weaknesses but also recognizing the potential of the submitted paper to contribute to the field, helping authors by making suggestions for improvement. As editor in chief, I work on building constructive dialogues among the journal's reviewers and potential authors. However, my editing work is greatly facilitated when the papers are reviewed thoroughly, with critical insight and thoughtful suggestions. Good reviewers stand beside the authors and support them in the process of building a solid contribution to the field of public administration. We firmly believe that understanding this process as something collective is crucial to improving the quality of RAP.

The quality of the articles published in RAP is owed to the work of outstanding reviewers. In this issue of the journal, we acknowledge the eight best reviewers contributing to the journal. These scholars were selected from a list of nearly 250 reviewers who contributed to the journal in 2018. The selection was based on the number of papers reviewed and on the quality of the reviews delivered. The information was organized by Eliane Barbosa da Conceição (Editorial Support), which I personally revised.

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We hope this list of outstanding collaborators encourages other scholars to join us in 2019 and to keep the high quality of reviews, delivering a consistent and constructive opinion to improve research in the field.

Finally, in this edition of RAP we have gathered a number of articles that discuss exciting research topics in public administration, such as; the advocacy coalitions in the revision of the Brazilian Forest Code by Estela Alves de Medeiros and Ricardo Correa Gomes; the proposal for a new classification for the results of the operational audit by Roberto Silveira Fleischmann; the determinants of innovation in state-owned companies by Anderson Argothy and Nuria González Álvarez; the impact assessment of public policies by Cláudio André Gondim Nogueira and Sérgio Henrique Arruda Cavalcante Forte; the opposition between the local development perspective and the neoliberal globalization project by Márcio Moutinho Abdalla and Alexandre Faria; the comparison between the qualified women public servant and the executive, from the perspective of the social contribution of gender by Carolina Mota-Santos, Antonio Carvalho Neto, Paula Oliveira, and Juliana Andrade (in memoriam); the effects of the coproduction and the competences of service providers on the results of the Judicial Conciliation in the Court of the Brazilian Federal District and Territories by Mariana Carolina Barbosa Rêgo, Janaina Angelina Teixeira, and Antonio Isidro da Silva Filho; the effects of the disproportionate representation of the Brazilian electoral districts in the Legislative on the transfers toward the municipalities by Carin Caroline Deda and Samira Kauchakje; the relationship between partisan alignment in different levels of government and the demand for discretionary resources in Brazil by Fernando Meirelles; the lack of consistency in the declaration of assets of the candidates in the Brazilian elections by Cesar Duarte Souto-Maior and José Alonso Borba and, finally, the chances of electoral success for the local Executive Branch, based on the profile of candidates and elected mayors by Simone Cristina Dufloth et al.

We wish you a pleasant read,

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