EDITORIAL

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The evolution of society demands a legal framework integrated with constant social transformations, anchored in the lessons of the past and attentive to future needs. A critical, innovative, and transdisciplinary academic debate is fundamental for such integration. This new issue of CAAP Journal (v. 29/1, Jan-Jun/2024) aims to contribute to this debate through ten original scientific texts, anonymously peer-reviewed by PhD Professors. In addition, it features an exclusive interview with former Supreme Federal Court Justice Carlos Velloso.

The cover of the issue illustrates the iconic mansion that housed the Free Law School of UFMG, demolished in 1958 to make way for the Villas-Boas Building (currently the Graduate Research Programme in Law – PPGD building). The rescue of the photograph, colorized for the first time by our team, underlines the importance of preserving and learning from the past, adapting our legal framework and institutions to contemporary challenges.

The Journal is experiencing a transformative moment: now associated with ABEC (Brazilian Association of Scientific Editors), we have begun purchasing the first DOIs (Digital Object Identifiers) in the Journal's history, to be assigned to editions published in 2023. We thank the PPGD for enabling the realization of this editorial project.

In June 2024, CAAP Journal was formalized as a member of the Portal dos Periódicos, an entity responsible for supporting UFMG's scientific journals. In addition to technical assistance for maintaining the site, the Portal offers antiplagiarism software and funding calls – through which we intend to assign DOIs to all other digitized editions.

Finally, we highlight recent achievements in our internationalization efforts. The journal was admitted to new indexing databases/repositories, namely: EBSCO (USA), Copernicus (Poland), Aura (Mexico), J-Gate (India), JUFO Portal (Finland), Ulrich's Web (USA), UWE Bristol (England), and Responsible Journals (Netherlands). The Editorial Board has welcomed two new PhD Professors: Tyler Reigeluth (Université Catholique de Lille, France) and Irene Canfora (Università degli Studi di Bari Aldo Moro, Italy) – to whom we extend our greetings and wish success in their roles.

This new volume reaffirms our unwavering commitment to editorial excellence, honoring the best tradition of the "Vestusta Casa de Afonso Pena", as we advance towards a future full of new ideas, experiments, and meanings.

Copenhagen, June 2024.