

■ A WORD FROM THE EDITORIAL

Philologia is a peer-reviewed academic journal whose primary objective is to promote, cherish and advance research in the humanities and social science. The journal comes out annually, both in print and electronic edition. *Philologia* publishes original scientific and review articles, research notes, critical essays, book reviews and conference reports grouped into the following sections: Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, Literary Studies, Cultural Studies, Translation Studies, Scientific Interviews, Conference Reports and Book Reviews. The Editorial is open to new proposals with regard to the disciplines not currently included in the scope of the journal.

The tenth anniversary issue of the *Philologia* journal contains over twenty contributions submitted by the scholars from different parts of the world on a broad range of topics. Most modern and innovative approaches are used by the authors, enriching the scientific fields of linguistics and literary studies. *Philologia* aims at providing news on selected new literature, and scientific and professional events in Serbia and abroad. We hope that you will find the original scientific articles provocative, and the review articles helpful in deepening the understanding in the areas they deal with. The anniversary edition of the journal that is in your hands at the moment has a special guest in the form of an understudied language, spoken in the easternmost part of Gambia, the Mandinka language. We greatly appreciate the author's effort to bring this language closer to the linguistic audience in Serbia and outside of it, and wish him success in his future academic endeavours.

The Editorial Board wishes to gratefully acknowledge the work of both international and Serbian members of the reviewing and advisory boards for their insightful commentaries and benevolent criticism. Special thanks go to the Serbian Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development for recognizing the importance of financially supporting this publication project.

The Editorial will invest every effort in bringing the journal closer to its international readership by working on its inclusion into the electronic databases. We wish to once again proudly announce that the articles published in the *Philologia Journal* have now been indexed in the Modern Language Association International Bibliography (MLA Bibliography), the most widely distributed humanities database, and the journal listed in their Directory of Periodicals.

The Call for Papers is now open all year round and we would like to hear from potential authors shortly. The reviewed papers will be published on a *first come, first served* basis until the completion of the current issue.