

## THE AHP/ANP CONFERENCE COMMUNITY



As *IJAHP* Editor-in-Chief, I have the unique opportunity of getting to know AHP/ANP scholars and practitioners from all over the world. While my initial acquaintance is usually through this journal, it is often followed by personal interactions at diverse academic meetings in our discipline.

I was privileged to attend the Multi-criteria Decision-Making (MCDM) Conference in Istanbul this past summer, and the Central European Conference of Information and Intelligent Systems (CECIIS) in Varazdin, Croatia, this fall. We reported about our MCDM experience in our previous issue, and are reporting about the CECIIS in this current one.

In case you are wondering what the connection is between these conferences and the *IJAHP*, it is worth mentioning that many of our most distinguished *IJAHP* authors and board members actively participate in these conferences. Some of them polish their studies by presenting them at these conferences so that they can later be submitted to and published in our journal. For this reason, this journal has always made a point of publicizing and reporting on conferences related to our discipline.

In this particular issue, in addition to our customary portfolio of AHP/ANP articles, we report the promotion of Professor Nina Begičević, member of the CECIIS program committee and *IJAHP* board member since its founding, to the position of Dean of the Faculty of Informatics (FOI) of the University of Zagreb. It is worth mentioning that Dr. Begičević is the first female and youngest faculty member appointed to the position of Dean of FOI.

We conclude this issue with a reflection on the role of conferences in the academic experience given by Dr. Blazanka Divjak, Minister of Science and Education of the Republic of Croatia, in her opening remarks to the 30<sup>th</sup> CECIIS meeting.

Enjoy this issue and have a Happy Holiday season!

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Enrique Mu". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Enrique Mu  
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