PREFACE



Science can be perceived in several terms. The one closest to the intended meaning is related to the perception thereof through the prism of scientific knowledge, the community of scholars, and the fulfillment of the mission by scientific institutions.

As an academic, I observe with satisfaction the activities of both researchers and their universities as evidence of a passion and sustained interest. These two characteristics of their activities give people who are engaged in science above-average motivation to act, a strong need for commitment to their work, and patience in the search for optimal solutions to scientific problems.

One manifestation of this passion is research. Its essence is, first and foremost, to acquire and broaden knowledge related to the surrounding reality and to define trends for developing a given field and scientific discipline. Therefore, it is essential in security sciences to update knowledge of security theory and to search for rules in the practical activities of state and private institutions responsible for security. The communication of research results usually occurs during scientific meetings and discussions and by making them public, for example in dictionaries, textbooks, monographs, or scientific journals.

For several years now, I have been observing the work of people associated with the "Security Forum" semi-annual journal published by WSB University in Dąbrowa Górnicza. Therefore, when I was offered the opportunity to write a preface for the current issue, I agreed for several reasons. Firstly, security sciences specialists publish their papers in this journal as well as people who are taking their first steps on the path of science. Secondly, in addition to theoretical papers, papers written by practitioners are also published here. Thirdly, the two communities are looking for solutions that bring them together. In my opinion, these are successful attempts. Is this the case this time? Find out for yourselves by reading the content of this issue of "Security Forum".

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