
PREFACE



The mission of people of science is to provide up-to-date, valuable knowledge and to lay the foundations for the acquisition of the skills to use it by all those who wish to do so. Importantly, only full implementation of this mission lays the foundations for individual and social development. This mission can be fulfilled by being guided by truth, wisdom, courage and responsibility in the search for new and scientifically sound solutions.

Various forms of scientific activity are linked to the implementation of this mission. These mainly include education and the multiplication and dissemination of scientific achievements. The aforementioned forms cannot be hierarchized, because they are partner forms for each other. Their intrinsic value is their demanding work and passion.

It is both this kind of work and passion that I see in this issue of the “Security Forum” semi-annual addressed to readers. This issue forms a collection of various studies that fall within the area encompassed by the object of cognition of the security sciences. A collection demonstrating the relevance to science and social life of the issues taken up by the authors of the individual articles.

I am pleased that, in an era dominated by online publishing, those responsible for running ‘Security Forum’ have also decided to offer their semi-annual magazine in traditional form.

As President of the Board of Directors of the Polish Society for Security Studies, I am delighted to see such a valuable activity of the security science research community, manifested by the contributions of national and international authors in this issue of Security Forum. I wholeheartedly encourage you to read this and subsequent issues of this interesting scientific periodical.

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