Dear Readers,

In this issue, we invite you to join our readership, on the fascinating and growing phenomenon of social enterprise, social entrepreneurship and social innovation. Papers included here contribute both theoretically and empirically to our knowledge regarding this topic. We are grateful to all authors and reviewers from different academic institutions for their work and scholarly effort. In the first paper by Martyna Wronka-Pośpiech, entitled “The relationship between leadership style and success in social enterprises – evidence from Poland” offers very interesting empirical evidence from more than 140 social cooperatives in Poland. The author verifies the hypothesis on the relationship between the leadership style in social enterprise and their perceived success, and emphasizes the role of participative leadership style. The next conceptual paper “Możliwości wykorzystania rozwiązań biznesowych w przedsiębiorstwach społecznych” [eng. “The selected issues relating to the use of business solutions for social enterprises”] Małgorzata Kurelo analyses the opportunities and challenges related to implementation of commercial enterprise business solutions and techniques in the social enterprises. This paper broadens the perspective of social enterprise research and opens up future research avenues in this area. In the third paper “Antecedents of social innovation – conceptual model proposition”, Agnieszka Żur employs extensive literature review to provide a conceptual framework on the emergence of social innovation. This paper is a particularly valuable theoretical contribution as it structures existing theory in the field of social innovation and social entrepreneurship and offers a process based perspective. The fourth paper by Rafał Bernat „Skutki w VAT i PCC aportu zorganizowanej części przedsiębiorstwa do spółki osobowej” [eng. “Organised part of enterprise contribution into the partnership value added tax and the civil law transactions tax aspects”] focuses on an important topic of fiscal regulations affecting venture’s obligations related to the contribution of an “organised part of the enterprise” when a partnership is formed. The issue is closed with the review of the book by Łukasz Jurek „Ekonomia starzejącego się społeczeństwa” [eng: “Economics of the ageing society”] prepared by Małgorzata Gawrycka.

The issue includes an invitation to the ENTIME Conference 2017, a conference organized bi-annually by our Faculty of Economics and Management at Gdańsk University of Technology. The readers can also find invitation to get acquainted with the ICSEM project – worldwide research project on social enterprise models.

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