EDITORIAL: Corporate law and governance — Trends and expectations

Dear readers!

We are pleased to present the first issue of 2023 of the journal of *"Corporate Law & Governance Review"*. This issue contains thirteen contributions covering a number of interesting topics. Topics covered include anti-corruption, arbitration, sustainability, developed versus emerging markets, consumer safety, artificial intelligence, property rights, accessibility, and human rights. These contributions are based on several locations, including Kosovo, Thailand, Albania, Indonesia, United Arab Emirates, and Egypt, among others.

Corporate governance requirements are one aspect of the rule of law in a country. Krever (2011) argues that the presence or absence of the rule of law in a country is an important factor in that country's economic development. *Xhemazie Ibraimi, Besime Ziberi,* and *Albulena Brestovci* apply this to economic development in Kosovo. Often regulators in emerging markets look to implement corporate governance requirements that are required in developed markets. *Omair Haroon* and *Maliha Zaka* review corporate governance literature from 2001 to 2021 to compare the effectiveness of corporate governance mechanisms in developed markets like Kosovo should think carefully before implementing corporate governance mechanisms used in developed markets.

Several papers in this issue address topics generating significant interest in the popular press. For example, *Yasser Ellamey* and *Amr Elwakad* investigate the criminal liability implications of artificial intelligence. Given the current interest in artificial intelligence, this article should be of significant interest to readers! *Emy Handayani* and *Suparno* study the role of local wisdom (Edwards et al., 1993; Kiwfo et al., 2021) in agricultural sustainability. *Halim Bajraktari* tackles the role of good governance in identifying hate crimes on social networks. Accessibility is a popular topic these days. *Atipon Satranarakun* and *Tanpat Kraiwanit* investigate using laws and regulations to promote metro rail accessibility in Thailand. Finally, *Fahmi* studies commodity futures trading in Indonesia. All of these articles address topics currently receiving significant attention outside of academia.

Two articles in this issue address corruption. *Erdianto Effendi* and *Mahrus Ali* apply a model of corruption in three districts in Riau Province, Indonesia to shed light on the ability of the model to help regulators eliminate corruption. Their findings can be of great benefit to regulators around the world. *Ndoh Bertha Bakata, Kingsley Lyonga Ngange, Laurent-Charles Boyomo Assala*, and *Stephen N. Ndode* study corruption in Cameroon's journalism industry. One of the most interesting aspects of the study is the link between a journalist's access to information from government sources and unprofessional conduct.

In addition, this issue has contributions concerning arbitration litigation in United Arab Emirates (see the study by *Moustafa Elmetwaly Kandeel, Alaa Abouahmed*, and *Aliaa Zakaria*), consumer safety and defective products in Egypt (see the research by *Ibrahim Abdelaziz Daoud, Moustafa Elmetwaly Kandeel*, and *Said Elsayed Kandil*), inflation and gross domestic product in Albania (see the paper by *Alba Ramallari* and *Flora Merko*), and property rights in Kosovo (see the study by *Skender Gojani* and *Lirie Hoti*).

As you can see, there is something for everyone in this issue. Enjoy!

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