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Editorial Foreword

Ansaq continues its serious mission to publish issues on regular basis. The journal is pleased to offer the reader this issue that includes ten research papers covering a spectrum of different fields of knowledge, including grammar, literature, philosophy, and other disciplines, in addition to a review of a recent publication by Qatar University Press (QUP). The reviewed book is an encyclopedic one that runs for more than 550 pages in medium size and deals with news reports in television news bulletin.

Qatar University Press is a key-partner for Ansaq. We work closely with QUP from the beginning till the end. Despite being recently established, QUP has soon become a house of expertise in the field of scientific publishing. Additionally, it has relations with a number of prominent international publishing houses, which renders the future of research and publishing at Qatar University (QU) very promising; especially that scientific publication is one of the three main pillars of QU, along with academic education and community services.

Responding to Corona pandemic, which it is a global issue affecting the whole world as well as various aspects of life including but not limited to economic, educational, cultural, social, and other aspects, we have dedicated a section for this topic. It includes two papers. The first tackles this pandemic from a geographical approach in Morocco in particular and the world in general. The second is a semiotic approach investigating caricatures of this pandemic in the Qatari newspapers.

Ansaq has moved ahead to be a platform for researchers from different Arab countries, and different schools of thought. It receives a number of notable research papers from various Arab and non-Arab countries who are interested in Arabic language and its literatures. Received papers also cover various disciplines of humanities and social sciences. Ansaq follows rigorous and decisive steps in its reviewing process. This starts with careful screening by the respected editorial board before sending papers to specialized reviewers of high professorial ranks. Yet, this sometimes comes at the expense of the editorial board's time.

We are obliged to reviewers for their work and dedication to serve scientific research as well as community and society in general.

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