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*It is my great pleasure to announce the new international journal TERRITORIUM on spatial planning issues. For us in Serbia issuing an international journal is still a hard task for many reasons. But the Institute of Spatial Planning at the Faculty of Geography in Belgrade, coping with many problems, did it. Hopefully, the number one will not be the last one.*

*The endeavour of the Institute is welcomed by many experts from Europe having supported the idea of the new journal from Belgrade. The support is appreciated given the extremely specific position of Serbia politically lagging far behind other European countries in terms of integrative processes. Understanding spatial planning as the first step in the spatial integration of the European territory, the Editorial Board has decided to start issuing articles supporting contemporary ideas on spatial planning as an instrument for the integration but also to emphasize geographic and cultural diversity of the European territory as one of its best qualities. The Scientific Board with members from diverse European regions will help in realizing such an approach.*

*The first issue of TERRITORIUM is emphasizing some current issues in spatial planning. The cooperation between the Institute of Spatial Planning in Belgrade and the Faculty of Architecture in Bratislava resulted in a Seminar in Belgrade, where colleagues from Bratislava presented their visions on spatial planning issues. Some of the articles reflect these ideas and approaches. Other articles show some current issues on spatial planning in Serbia and give an overall framework for next issues.*

*Believing in collegial support and in our own capacities I am offering you our first result with others after while.*

*Prof. Dr. Borislav Stojkov  
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