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## **THE HERO OF THE DAY AND HIS ANNIVERSARIES**

(to the 75th birthday of Valeriy Mykhailovych Heyets)

Valeriy Mykhailovych Heyets, Editor-in-Chief of the journal *Economy and Forecasting*, Academician of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, founder and permanent head of the Institute for Economics and Forecasting of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, is 75 years old. And the scientific journal *Economy and Forecasting*, the initiator of the creation, ideologue and most active member of the editorial board of which is Valeriy Heyets, will turn 20 in September.

These two dates are joined by the third one, which is 55 years of scientific activities of the Hero of the Day. And all these anniversaries, like well-chosen puzzles, build a portrait of the extraordinary personality of Valeriy Heyets, whose energy constantly ignites new scientific research of both experienced and young scientists, and leads the efforts of the Institute for Economics and Forecasting of NAS of Ukraine that he has headed for more than 20 years.

As a scientist who went from a graduate student of the Institute of Economics of the UkrSSR Academy of Sciences to an academician of the NAS of Ukraine, Valeriy Heyets helped dozens of PhDs and Doctors enter the scientific world. This was facilitated by his creation of the scientific journal *Economy and Forecasting*, because the journal's publications expand horizons, and open the way to the international scientific field, by propagating scientific research and achievements of Ukrainian scientists, and by featuring the Institute's work on the urgent economic problems.

The twenty-year archive of the journal *Economy and Forecasting* shows that the papers published on its pages reflect the results of empirical research and forecast based estimates of various sectors of Ukraine's economy, science, and technology and describe the development of economic and mathematical models for such estimates. The journal's articles identify the prospects for this country's short- and long-term economic development at the macro and micro levels, and in both quantitative and qualitative terms. Currently, the journal publishes discussion papers on problematic issues of socio-market and institutional transformations and on the functioning of the new economic model of the state of Ukraine, focused on innovative development.

The efforts of the journal's Editor-in-Chief, Academician of the NAS of Ukraine Valeriy Heyets and members of the editorial board, each of whom he personally recommended, are aimed at ensuring that the journal find its niche among economic media and feature multifaceted approaches to the problem, originality, novelty of articles, quality of their preparation, and proper recommendations for the future. The main principles of the journal's editorial policy include impartiality and objectivity, high requirements for the quality of scientific research, support of new knowledge, collegiality in decision-making on the publication of articles, strict adherence to related rights and categorical rejection of any form of plagiarism.

The journal never closed itself within the research of only the founding institute, but invited researchers from other economic institutions - scientific and educational - and not only from Ukraine but also from abroad - from Poland, Hungary, Austria, Bulgaria, USA and other countries. The journal publishes articles not only by economists; it has also become a platform for the results of research by mathematicians, physicists, and representatives of technical sciences.

Strategic forecasts, macroeconomic analysis, and model-based calculations in the journal *Economy and Forecasting* are of interest to government officials, including Ukraine's top leadership. The journal plays an increasingly important role as a scien-

tific advisor or even a guide for the authorities, the intellectual community, business circles, the banking community, businesses, organizations and institutions. But, in parallel with solving topical applied problems, the journal, together with the State Institution "Institute for Economics and Forecasting of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine", also works to deepen the development of basic science.

Foreign scholars' growing interest in Economy and Forecasting, the journal's registration in international scientometric databases, and increasing participation of international scientists in the journal's editorial board prompted the Editor-in-Chief to start a parallel English version of the journal in 2019, which provides Ukrainian scientists with even better integration with international academic community. The journal was successfully re-certified and included in group "B" of the List of Ukraine's professional scientific media.

Publications in the journal have always been free, which is a firm attitude of its Editor-in-Chief, who believes that even in the most economically difficult times, real science should be available to the general public.

Despite all his commitment, Valeriy Heyets shows an example of active authorship, as his works are regularly published in domestic and foreign journals. One evidence of this is the monograph on "The phenomenon of instability: a challenge to economic development", which was recently published by the Publishing House "Academperiodics" of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine. Valeriy Heyets monitors the development of social and human knowledge, and encourages scientists to research, whose results are reflected, in particular, in the pages of Economy and Forecasting.

*The editorial board and authors of Economy and Forecasting are happy to wish Valeriy Mikhailovich Heyets, on all his anniversaries, good health, inspiration and inexhaustible energy to implement new ambitious plans and ideas, and to enter new international orbits!*

*Editorial Board of the journal Economy and Forecasting*