

## **Editorial Note**

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In this edition the Ship Science and Technology Journal, opens a new volume with the scientific articles presented at the V International Ship Design and Naval Engineering Congress, held in Cartagena - Colombia as a part of the Colombiamar Fair, 2017.

For this issue, the Journal includes publications related to: strategic planning in the construction of an OPV (offshore patrol vessel), cluster platforms for the shipyard sector in the Colombian Caribbean, competitiveness in the sector through the development of logistical capabilities, identification of projects for the development of the fluvial sector and the socio-economic impact of intermodal connections in the country.

As a strategy to improve the visibility and impact of the journal, this time we are pleased to announce to our authors and readers that The Ship Science and Technology Journal has been added to the Directory of Open Access Journals - DOAJ, as well as to the Scientific Content Platform *REDIB* (Ibero-American Network of Innovation and Scientific Knowledge) and the Regional Online Information System for Scientific Journals of Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain and Portugal - *LATINDEX*. In addition, the journal has been included in the bibliographic database BASE - Bielefeld Academic Search Engine, JournalTOCs, Ulrich's Directory, in the Information Matrix for the Analysis of Journals MIAR, and in specialized databases such as Marine Technology Abstracts.

We thank to all our readers, authors, members of the editorial committee and members of the scientific committee for their contributions in the preparation, review, edition and dissemination of scientific material published by the journal; its valuable contribution increases every day the quality and impact of the publication and brings us closer to the goal of being positioned as one of the best scientific journals on ship design, naval architecture, and naval, marine and ocean engineering.

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