



I am very pleased to have this opportunity to congratulate the Editorial Board on the publication of the first issue of the Customs Scientific Journal.

The Journal will provide a very useful outlet for contributors and experts to publish articles and share information, insights and reflections of interest to the Customs Community. I am pleased to see that partnership with business features prominently in the pilot edition, as well as topics which, together, cover a very broad range of Customs and global trade matters.

The work that is done by the ROCB and RTCs in the implementation of the Capacity Building Strategy is very important across the Europe Region and this Journal could be a very useful means of supporting their work. The chapters on modern technologies and best practices in customs administration will be particularly useful in this regard.

I wish the management and staff in our regional offices every success in your endeavours.

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Chair of WCO Council