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Editorial

Dear readers and collaborators of REPeC,

The Accounting Education and Research Journal (REPeC) is a quarterly electronic journal, issued by the Brazilian Academy of Accountancy (Abracicon) in Portuguese, English and Spanish.

The papers in this issue address different themes, and a novelty is the publication of the first Teaching Case by REPeC. In response to the perceived lack of this type of publication in Accounting, we created a specific section called Teaching Cases in Accounting. We hope that this initiative will attract new submissions that contribute to the learning process.

The first paper in this issue, entitled Students and college professors' perception about the accountant profession: a study based on the theory of Stereotypes, written by Karla Splitter and José Alonso Borba, aimed to identify and analyze the perceived image of professional accounting among the students and lecturers of five undergraduate programs.

The second paper, entitled An application of the Delphi technique to the mapping of accounting teaching qualification dimensions, written by Gilberto José Miranda, Silvia Pereira de Castro Casa Nova and Edgard Bruno Cornacchione Junior, showed that the academic qualification comprises factors related to the degree, research and publication; the professional qualification by factors related to professional experience and credentials; and the pedagogical qualification by factors related to the institutional support, teaching experience and permanent education.

Under the title **Impairment in goodwill: an analysis based on accounting disclosure,** the third paper was published by Josilene da Silva Barbosa, Silvia Consoni, Luciano Márcio Scherer and Ademir Clemente. The study aimed to verify whether Brazilian publicly traded companies published information about the goodwill impairment test between 2009 and 2011.

The fourth paper, by José Antonio França, Daniel Pereira Cunha and George Henrique de Moura Cunha, entitled Adoption of IFRS standards in Brazil: impact of deemed cost on companies' indebtedness level (IL) and return on assets (ROA), concludes that the use of the deemed cost did not produce significant changes in the Indebtedness Level and Return on Assets.



Next, the article entitled **Socioenvironmental investments: an analysis of organizations from sectors with different socioenvironmental impacts,** written by *Nverson da Cruz Oliveira, Neylane dos Santos Oliveira, Sonia Maria da Silva Gomes* and *José Maria Dias Filho*, was aimed at verifying whether there is a significant difference among the socio-environmental investment indicators of organizations from sectors with different socio-environmental impacts.

And, finally, in the section Teaching Cases in Accounting, the teaching case entitled **JBA Cosmetics Ltd.: maintain or close the West store?** was published, written by *Moacir Sancovschi*, *Marcus Vinicius Melo Moraes* and *Lidiano de Jesus Santos*. The case is aimed at illustrating the use of relevant cost concepts and techniques to analyze long-term policy decisions, with a focus on discussions in Management Accounting or Cost Accounting subjects.

At the end of this Editorial, I would like to thank the adjunct editors and *ad hoc* consultants for their work.

I hope you will enjoy your reading!

Prof. Valcemiro Nossa, Ph.D. Editor-in-Chief