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## **EDITORIAL**

This issue of the *Journal of the Serbian Chemical Society* was chosen by the members of the Presidency of the Society and of the Editorial Board from Serbia to mark the retirement of Dragutin M. Dražić as Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal*.

Dragutin Dražić succeeded Slobodan V. Ribnikar, who was Editor-in-Chief for 10 years, among others in the 77-year old history of the *Journal* and who introduced many improvements in editing and editing policy, including editing in English since 1985.

Dragutin Dražić was Editor-in Chief for more than 20 years. In addition to his immense impact as a scientist and university teacher to the field of Electrochemistry and Physical Chemistry and to the understanding of the importance of chemistry and of the natural science in general (see *J. Serb. Chem Soc.* **66** (2001)



731), his great effort in the editing of the *Journal* resulted in its pivotal position in the world of scientific journals in Serbia. With no intention to repeat Dragutin Dražić's great contribution to the development of contemporary chemical minds in the former Yugoslavia, and lately in Serbia (see *J. Serb. Chem. Soc.* **72** (2007) 1), we simply say: THANK YOU! Saying this, we are aware that we express the gratitude of the chemistry community not only in Serbia, but also worldwide, where the name Dragutin Dražić is recognized.

The papers in this issue were prepared by the authors from Serbia who aided Dragutin Dražić, *JSCS* Honorary Editor, in his editing efforts, by submitting their manuscripts, through sub-editing and revision of the submitted manuscripts, or some other way, to establish a journal with the reputation which *Journal of the Serbian Chemical Society* holds today on the international scene.

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