RECENT emerged from enthusiasm!

It is difficult to understand how the initiators had the courage to muddy the waters and especially to manage to convince an entire departmental team to adhere to the idea of periodically editing a scientific journal. It is possible that some considered the initiative as an interesting experiment, but one that would not last.

The then Rector of Transilvania University of Braşov, the late Prof. Dr. Eng. Sergiu T. Chiriacescu, corresponding member of the Romanian Academy, appreciated and supported the publication of the journal, emphasizing in his message that "the initiative of presenting the achievements obtained in the scientific research of the department, marked by a strong multidisciplinary character, is more than welcome".

RECENT emerged at the end of the 20th century from the desire to offer the possibility of publishing research results in a more flexible and dynamic framework than that offered by university bulletins or national scientific conferences, traditionally organized. The opening speech of the Editorial Board published in the first issue of the journal also states that **RECENT** emerged "as a necessity for the scientific and journalistic manifestation of the members of the department, with special openness to young colleagues".

RECENT has become a publication of Transilvania University of Braşov, recognized nationally and internationally and included in several international databases. **RECENT** is a registered trademark in Romania and has its own website and domain (www.recentonline.ro). From the beginning, **RECENT** has had an ISSN number for its printed editions. Over time, it has requested and obtained an ISSN number for its online format as well.

RECENT has turned 25. There are not many, but not few either. They are enough to remain in history, but also for the beginning of a tradition.

RECENT has reached its 75th edition, an anniversary one. Almost 1000 articles have been published. The journal's collaborators are hundreds of authors from Romania and abroad.

RECENT has been the bulletin of international conferences organized at Transilvania University in Braşov several times.

On this anniversary, we recall the end of the editorial board's opening statement expressed at the first edition: "We are convinced that all the journal's contributors consider themselves passionate about their work, open to new things and even nonconformists. We are convinced that our approach will not be easy. But we hope that we will not talk in vain and that we will walk together on the road to success".

Let's meet again at **RECENT** 100!

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