

EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear readers,

We are pleased to welcome you to the 10th edition of the Bulletin of Linguistic and Intercultural Studies (BSLI). This open-access, double-blind peer-reviewed journal is published twice a year under the auspices of the “Mihai Viteazul” National Intelligence Academy (ANIMV). BSLI includes articles on foreign languages, cultures, and civilizations, with a special focus on their relevance to intelligence and security.

This issue features contributions on the emerging field of sociocultural intelligence (SOCINT), spanning various linguistic, cultural, and civilizational contexts. The articles place particular emphasis on intelligence and security perspectives regarding cultural elements. We are also pleased to include a paper by an assistant professor from the University of Bucharest, highlighting our efforts to enhance ANIMV's collaboration within the broader humanities, especially at the intersection with intelligence and security. Therefore, you will delve into SOCINT topics across Russian, Chinese, European, and

Western landscapes, analyzing and interpreting social, cultural, symbolic, and identity factors through the analytical lenses of the intelligence and security field, thereby contributing to the consolidation of SOCINT as an intelligence discipline. We also aim to support the research interests of ANIMV's extended community in relevant SOCINT topics, including intelligence and security, cultural understanding, and global trends.

Once again, we reaffirm BSLI's commitment to offering an open platform for thorough, peer-reviewed research. We sincerely thank all the authors for their valuable contributions and the reviewers for their diligent and careful work. We also invite readers to continue engaging and to contribute to future issues with original research, reviews, and reflections that align with the spirit and mission of BSLI.

With appreciation,

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