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Abstract. The *Bulletin of the International Mathematical Virtual Institute*, ISSN 2303-4874 (p), ISSN (o) 2303-4955 has turned ten years of regular publication. It has been edited and published for ten years (2011-2020) by the Scientific Society of Mathematicians Banja Luka as a successor of the earlier publication 'Bulletin of the Society of Mathematicians Banja Luka' (ISSN 0354-5792). In the mentioned period, 357 scientific articles written by 755 authors and 1 biographical text were published in 23 issues. Over 600 mathematicians from all over the world took part in the process of evaluating the submitted texts.

This year, by issuing volume 10 (2020), the Scientific Society of Mathematicians Banja Luka celebrates 10 years of publication of the new series of the BULLETIN OF IMVI and the JOURNAL OF IMVI as successors of the earlier publication 'BULLETIN OF THE SOCIETY OF MATHEMATICIANS BANJA LUKA' (ISSN: 0354-5792), which was published in the period 1994-2010, it is an opportune time to look back at what has been accomplished over the last decade. It is quite natural to ask the question about the justification for starting and editing these journals as well as the question of their impact on our mathematical academic space and the mathematical totality generally. One level of insight into possible answers to the questions asked it can be gained through the information in the following table.

	1/2011	2/2012	3/2013	4/2014	5/2015	6/2016	7/2017	8/2018	9/2019	10/2020
	Bulletin	Bulletin	Bulletin	Bulletin	Bulletin	Bulletin	Bulletin	Bulletin	Bulletin	Bulletin
share (in%) of legitimate articles	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	98.25
the total number of references / volume	98	351	252	327	307	413	890	814	862	857
the number of citations the same journal	0	4	2	3	6	9	9	16	7	47
number of articles / volume	8	27	21	19	25	27	56	59	58	56+1
total numbers of articles (2011-2020)	8	35	56	75	100	127	183	242	300	357
number of authors / volume per year	12	55	42	42	51	70	114	118	139	112
number of issues per year	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3

In the coming time, the newly formed editorial board should raise the quality of these mathematical editions by modernizing the platforms and internal tools through which these journals are presented to the international academic public.

This small academic community of mathematicians gathered in the Scientific Society of Mathematicians Banja Luka has found the strength to start and maintain these two mathematical journals for ten years without any help from the social community.

However, to the very simple question "Why are we doing this?", We will answer indirectly: "Why did people paint their hands in the cave 'Cueva de las Manos' over 9000 years ago,?" We do not know the answer to this question but we assume that they wanted to say "We were here." It is not easy to assess whether the articles published in these two mathematical journals will have any value to the generations of mathematicians who will come after us. But the following is quite certain: "We were here (in our time) and we were doing something in mathematics." Whether our activities in mathematics at this time will have any impact on the activities of mathematicians in their time in the (near) future, we will leave it to them to judge for themselves.

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