It is a pleasure to hand the first issue of Portuguese Journal of Quantitative Methods (PJQM) over to you. The **Portuguese Journal of Quantitative Methods** which is a new publication blossomed from the former **TMQ** – **Temas em Métodos Quantitativos** hosted by the Department of Quantitative Methods at ISCTE Business School, hoping the articles of the Journal are interesting and you feel encouraged to submit your work to PJQM.

We are very happy to publish in this first issue very good papers provided by professional researchers and hope they continue to contribute and also stimulate others to submit their work to PJQM. It is also time to remember all contributors whose manuscripts were rejected that they should use the reviwers' comments and suggestions to improve their work. We certainly welcome resubmissions of these works presenting, after revision, a final work with essential research.

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With friendly greetings,

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