## **Editorial**

## Dear Readers,

This is the last issue of volume 19. From the next issue and the volume, *Uluslararası İlişkiler* (International Relations) will continue its journey completely in English. The journal, accordingly, stopped accepting articles written in Turkish starting from January 1, 2022, though the evaluation process of existing articles written in Turkish continued.

The current issue publishes three articles focusing on International Relations Theory and International Law and two articles that deal with other issues in international relations, along with four book reviews.

The first article of the issue, written by Burcu Sarı Karademir, concentrates on the concept of unipolarity through structural realism. By arguing that the concept has been taken for granted and has not been theorised properly, the article provides a thorough review of the literature in the post-Cold War era until the 'recognition of unipolarity as a distinct structure in 2009'. The article contributes to the existing literature by investigating the concept's merits.

The second article, entitled 'The Place of Green Theory in International Relations after the Planetary Politics Manifesto' by Didem Buhari Gülmez and Bengü Aydın Dikmen, tries to better locate Green Theory in International Relations (IR) by focusing on its evaluation within the IR discipline. Accordingly, the authors investigate Green Theory's complex relationship with major critical theories, including Constructivism, Normative Theory and Poststructuralism.

The following article by Fethullah Bayraktar examines the 'legal basis and means of the International Court of Justice's order on the unilateral use of force to prevent acts of genocide in response to Ukraine's application against the Russian Federation. The fourth article, co-authored by Süleyman Sezgin Mercan, Kıvılcım Romya Bilgin, Haluk Karadağ and Yelda Ongun, addresses both the academic tendency in the European Union (EU) studies in Turkey and approaches of academics towards Turkey-EU relations based on in-depth interviews with them. The article contributes to the ongoing debate over the relationship between academics and policymakers, which has the potential to provide solutions 'in the steps to be taken to overcome the efficiency problems.'

The last article, entitled 'Perceptions of Turkey in the US Congress: A Twitter Data Analysis', provides a detailed analysis of perceptions of US Members of Congress on Turkey based on Twitter data analysis. The co-authors -Hakan Mehmetcik, Melih Koluk and Galip Yuksel- gathered Twitter data between 2009 and 2021 to analyse it using statistical methods to see the repercussions of ups and downs in the US-Turkey relations through the perceptions of the Members of Congress.

In this issue, you can also find four book reviews written by Basri Alp Akıncı, Jonathan Nash, Melek Aylin Özoflu, Onur Alp Yılmaz and Yeliz Kulalı Martin.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation for the continuing support of all our reviewers, authors and, of course, readers. We look forward to hearing your valuable feedback.