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## Prologue

Education is the cornerstone of society, a powerful channel through which knowledge, values and skills are transmitted from one generation to the next. It is the soil where the seeds of the future are planted, nourished by the wisdom of the past and the innovations of the present. In this valuable field, the role of academic journals cannot be denied. They are repositories of human knowledge, forums where academic discourse flourishes, and bridges that connect fields of science with a harmonious understanding.

In this issue, we embark on a scholarly journey covering a wide range of topics, each article a source of knowledge in its own right. From the exploration of virtual classroom management to the adaptive strategies needed for leadership in the evolving environments of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, contributing authors present their findings, insights and reflections.

Perspectives on the role of technology in adult education shed light on the ever-expanding horizons of learning, emphasizing the importance of accessibility and inclusivity in educational practices. Furthermore, exploring secondary school students' willingness to communicate in English as a foreign language highlights the critical intersection of language learning and cultural exchange and underscores the importance of developing confidence and competence in our increasingly interconnected world. The creative integration of drama into environmental education highlights the creative possibilities inherent in interdisciplinary methods and offers suggestions for students' development in the critical pursuit of environmental protection.

Each article in this issue is a proof of the relentless pursuit of knowledge and the power of academic inquiry to challenge, inspire and transform. "The International Journal of Excellent Leadership is a testament to the collective efforts of scholars, educators and practitioners who contribute to the everexpanding fabric of human understanding.

We extend our deepest gratitude to all who have contributed to this issue - authors, reviewers and readers. Your commitment to the pursuit of knowledge and excellence in education and leadership enriches our journal and the wider academic community. May the articles in these pages spark dialogue, inspire innovation, and contribute to the ongoing journey of learning and leadership that shapes our world. As we present this collection of scholarly works, we invite you to engage with the ideas and insights shared here. Together, let us continue to foster an academic culture that values collaboration, diversity and the relentless pursuit of knowledge for the good of society. Goodbye to meet in the new issue....

Warmest regards,

Burcu Altun Birgun & Erkan Kiral

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