

EDITOR'S NOTE

As *AlMuntaqa* nears the end of its third year, we are looking for ever more ways to be creative and to break new boundaries. In this issue we try a different approach to the journal, by focusing on one topic: Public Administration and Public Policy in the Arab World. Moreover, we are privileged that this issue is co-edited by a special guest, Dr. Mohamed Alaa Abdel-Moneim, an expert in Public Administration in the Arab World. He has not only co-edited the issue but managed to recruit an all-star lineup for the issue including but not limited to Dr. David Rosenbloom and Dr. Guy Peters. We are thankful to Dr. Abdel-Moneim for his valuable contribution as a co-editor, coordinator and for writing two of this issue's studies including its opening study. Moreover, we would like to thank Dr. Rosenbloom for contributing to the issue and for making several valuable comments on some of the studies in the issue. Finally, special thanks are due to Chris Hitchcock for going above and beyond his responsibilities as a translator, and for serving as my right hand despite the complications that have arisen as a result of Covid-19.