

LETTER FROM THE EDITORS



We are pleased to introduce the second issue of the third volume of the *Brazilian Journal of Empirical Legal Studies*. In this issue, apart from the regular influx of articles and an interview with Bryant Garth, we also offer a thematic *Symposium*, entitled “Law, Economics and Public Policies”, organized by professors Marcus Faro de Castro (Universidade de Brasília) and Diogo R. Coutinho (Universidade de São Paulo).

We maintain and renew the initiative of the *Brazilian Network of Empirical Legal Studies* to foster and develop empirical studies in the field of law in Brazil since 2011. In this endeavour, alongside the Journal, our network organizes the *Empirical Legal Studies Meetings*. Even during a time with so many financial restrictions on research activities, we believe that both the Journal as well as the Meetings provide reason to be optimistic for knowledge production in the field of law.

Moreover, we maintain our commitment to the development of a quality journal that is representative of research developed throughout Brazil. All the articles published here are subjected to a rigorous double

blind peer review and they also respect the regional and thematic diversity that characterizes empirical legal studies.

Finally, we would like to acknowledge and thank everyone that contributed to this journal. We are grateful for the gracious and qualified participation of the peer reviewers and the members of our Editorial Board, which includes representatives from prestigious institutions in many countries and different states in Brazil. We are also thankful for the dedication and effort from our editorial team, without whom this issue would not have been possible. We would like to voice our deepest gratitude to everyone that contributed in order to assure this journal would be an instrument for the development of its relevant scientific mission.

Happy reading!

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