



Ten years of the renewed *Proceedings of the Estonian Academy of Sciences*

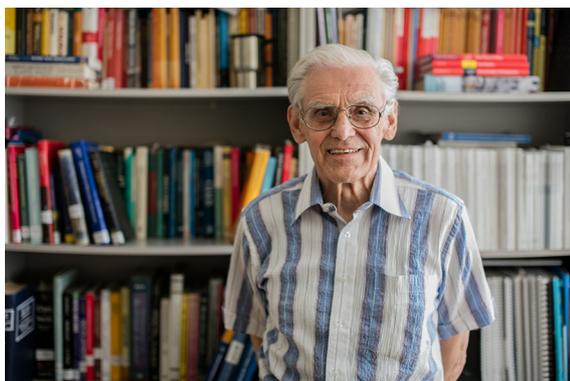
The renewed *Proceedings of the Estonian Academy of Sciences* has been published since 2008, and is the only scientific journal with the definite name of the Estonian Academy of Sciences in the title. The journal emerged after consolidation of separate series of the Academy Proceedings *Physics & Mathematics* and *Chemistry* in 2008, and merger of the *Estonian Journal of Engineering* and the *Estonian Journal of Ecology* in 2014 and 2015, respectively. Therefore, the birth of the *Proceedings* series can be traced back to 1952, and in 2018 the 67th volume of the *Proceedings of the Estonian Academy of Sciences* was published.

From the first issue, the renewed *Proceedings* has been an open access journal, publishing the electronic versions of all papers for free usage in the web. Since 2012, the published articles have been made available online before the publication of the printed version. The journal is listed in the DOAJ database, and the international license CC BY-NC applies to all publications. Today, all previous issues of the *Proceedings*, starting from the beginning of this series in 1952, have been digitized and are freely available at <https://www.etera.ee>.

The *Proceedings of the Estonian Academy of Sciences* is open for international scientific community, and during the last decade more than a third of all published papers have been submitted from abroad. Thanks to the strict peer review procedure, efforts of our editors, and careful work of the technical staff, the scientific level and quality of the publications in the *Proceedings* is high: the journal is included to the Web of Science and indexed in many other databases. Therefore, we believe that publishing in the *Proceedings* is increasing the visibility of Estonian science, perhaps more than an address line in other journals.

The year 2018 was significant not only for the *Proceedings* as the centenary of the Republic of Estonia and the 80th anniversary of the Estonian Academy of Sciences were celebrated. The festive events at the Academy underlined the importance of these dates in our academic life. In order to mark the signing of the decree on founding the Estonian Academy of Sciences by President-Regent Konstantin Päts on 28 January 1938, a ceremonial meeting and the conference ‘Academy and Society’ were organized in the Estonian Parliament (*Riigikogu*) on 31 January 2018. To commemorate the first General Assembly Meeting of the Estonian Academy of Sciences in Tartu on 20 April 1938, a conference titled ‘Story of the Estonian Thought’ was held in the Estonian National Museum (Tartu) on 20 April 2018. Finally, in order to mark the official opening of the Academy on 22 October 1938, the international science policy conference ‘Advisory Role of Academies in the Information-Rich Society’ took place in the Main Hall of the Academy in Tallinn on 22–23 October 2018, with the participation of well-known leaders of the European research community, representatives of sister academies, and leading Estonian scientists.

We strongly believe that the efforts made to develop the *Proceedings of the Estonian Academy of Sciences* will also increase the international significance and visibility of the Estonian Academy of Sciences. Here, at the 10th anniversary of the renewed *Proceedings*, we are using the opportunity to thank all the people involved directly or indirectly in this work and supporting the changes in progress.



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