

“Istros” Journal - Edited by Museum of Brăila “Carol I”

The first issue of “Istros” journal was published in 1980, and until 2025, we have edited 31 issues, in 30 volumes (no. 2-3 appeared in 1983, in one volume). Until issue VI (1992), the topic of the journal was varied, including studies, articles and materials of archaeology, history, art, ethnography, natural sciences, memorials etc.

Since no. VII (1994), it includes only studies, articles and materials of archaeology, history, numismatics, anthropology, zoo-archaeology, geo-physics and heritage, from Prehistory to Middle Age.

The topic of the journal includes studies and articles concerning the Lower Danube region, as well as the entire European and Mediterranean area. It is only by valuable studies, tackling larger areas and periods of time, that we can ensure a real interest of the international scientific community for our periodical.

And the summary of „Istros” Journal is proving it.

The Honour Board and the Executive Board, consisting of a member of the Romanian Academy, famous professors and scholars, from Romania and abroad (Rep. of Moldova, Czech Republic, Austria, Germany) set a high scientific standard for the studies and articles published. The authors who published in “Istros” are well known researchers, professors and museologists, in institutes of research, universities and museums, from Romania and abroad as well.

All the articles are analyzed according to the procedures of peer review.

Until issue no. XV/2009, we have published a number of studies in foreign languages (French, English, German, Italian), and the rest of the articles, with abstracts translated in foreign languages. Later on, issues XVI/2010, XVII/2011 and XVIII/2012 were published entirely in foreign languages), and starting from no. XIX (2013) all the issues are bilingual, in both Romanian and in an international language; certainly, all of them have key-words and abstracts in Romanian and in an international language.

The Editing Committee ensured a large circulation of the journal, which is now in the collections of libraries throughout Europe and other continents.

As a result of the great value of the materials published, “Istros” Journal was enlisted, starting from 2007, in “B” category – ERIH (ISSN: 1453 – 6943), according to the database of

ESF Standing Committee for the Humanities (SCH), and after 2017 in ERIH PLUS (European Reference Index for the Humanities – Rankings of Humanities Journals (<https://pastspeaks.com/tag/erih-rankings-of-history-journals/>;<https://dbh.nsd.uib.no/publiseringsskanaler/erihplus/periodical/info.action?id=483189>).

”Istros” Journal is also in CEEOL (Central and Eastern European Online Library) (<https://www.ceeol.com/search/journal-detail?id=120>) and recognized by Agenzia Nazionale di Valutazione del Sistema Universitario e della Ricerca from Italy in the procedure for empowering university teachers (https://www.anvur.it/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Elenco-riviste-scientifiche_Area13_VIquad.pdf).

It is also worth mentioning that many of the articles published in our Journal referred to prestigious **international colloquia**, held in our country or abroad or highlighted the results of **important projects** of research and revaluation of the cultural heritage.

Publishing the contributions at prestigious international colloquia and of a session at a world congress with specific topics and the participation of famous teachers and scholars from a number of countries, led our journal to a greater visibility and deeper knowledge of certain archaeological and historical phenomena of major interest.

Publishing in foreign languages, mainly English, all the studies and articles of the Journal, since 2010, had, obviously, a contribution at a worldwide access of its content.

We consider, at the same time, that publishing the studies and articles in Romanian language too, as the Editing Committee has decided in 2013, in order to be accessible to Romanian readers as well, is important, as all those interested in national or international archaeological and regional history can read and understand it.

We are certain that, through the scientific value of the studies and articles published, as well as through the cultural heritage issues debated, “Istros” Journal became, in Romania, as well as abroad, a prestigious periodical, interesting not only for the scientific community, but also for the people interested in cultural-scientific heritage matters.

The procedures to follow in order to publish in our journal, inclusive peer review, are available on the web site: <https://www.muzeulbrailei.ro/despre-editura-istros/revista-istros/>