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FOREWORD by EDITOR-in-CHIEF

We are pleased to present the STIPM Journal Vol 7, No. 1, July 2022. This issue brings together research findings related to science, technology, and innovation policy and management from the Philippines, Vietnam, Malaysia, and Indonesia.

The first article was written by **Kevin Christopher Go** entitled *Enabling Innovation in the Philippine Rice Industry: The Roles and Key Capabilities of Innovation Intermediaries.* The article shows how innovation intermediaries in agri-food business industries perform roles and build key capabilities as their organization types, value chain segment participation, and industry market orientation vary.

Subejo, et al present the Innovation Management Model in Supporting Healthy Food Availability Through the Development of Zoning-Based Organic Farming. This article discusses the innovation of zoning-based organic farming development as the prospective solution not only to increase the production capability of healthy food but also to improve the quality of land and the environment, as well as to increase business efficiency, improve agricultural product prices, and focus on the design, process, mechanism, and implementation of zoning based on organic farming development.

Tran Quang Huy, Hoang Minh and Tu Thao Huong Giang present an article on the *Competency Framework for Researchers in the Public Research Institutes in Vietnam.* The paper investigates the relationship between competency framework and research performance in public research institutes to promote research career development in Vietnam. This article also explores the concept of competency framework for researchers in the public research institute context and clarifies its effect on the development of science, technology, and innovation in Vietnam.

Nor Ashikin Mohamed Yusof, et al present *Challenges and Barriers to Public Sector Innovations in Malaysia.* The article discusses both the external and internal barriers and challenges at Public Sector Innovations in Malaysia. The findings discover new elements thus contributing new knowledge, confirming and extending existing works in public sector innovation in Malaysia.

Eristian Wibisono presents the *Expansion of Qualitative Research Approaches in Innovation Policy Studies.* This article contributes to enriching methodological skills in preparing comprehensive qualitative research. However, further empirical studies are needed to demonstrate the strength of this methodological approach, which may also be combined with systematic literature studies in the field of innovation policy and other disciplines.

Iyomi Hasti and Titin Purwaningsih present *Bibliometric Analysis of Regional Autonomy Problem in Indonesia*. This article looks for the relationship between studies on the problem of regional autonomy in Indonesia by using VOSviewer to process data from the Scopus index journals. Over the last few years, the comparison of the trends is still dominated by Indonesia, which has 131 articles published in the Scopus database. Australia is in the second place with a total of 27 published articles, followed by Singapore with 15 documents

The STIPM Journal is indexing Google Scholar, ISJD, IPI, DOAJ, BASE, and OCLC World Cat. This makes the journal dissemination wider. We would like to thank all the reviewers for their excellent work and the authors who kindly contributed their papers to this issue. We are also indebted to the *STIPM Journal* editorial office and the publishing and production teams at BRIN for their assistance in the preparation and publication of this issue.

We are expecting that STIPM will always provide a higher scientific platform for the authors and the readers, with a comprehensive overview of the most recent STI Policy and Management research and development at the national, regional dan international level.

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