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FOREWORD by EDITOR-in-CHIEF**

With great pleasure, we present the Science, Technology, and Innovation Policy and Management (STIPM) Journal's second issue of 2023. We are very excited that the journal has attracted papers from many areas of STI policy and management.

The first article discusses that Indonesia's medical devices industry has indicated substantial growth recently. However, domestic products are still seemingly less competitive than imported products. This study aimed to fill the gap by presenting a more robust analysis regarding the collaborative innovation process of new medical devices to support the competitiveness of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) through innovation and standardization. The paper presented by **Ria Hardiyati and Indah Purwaningsih**.

The second article was written by **Luthfina Ariyani, et al.**, who investigated challenges in connecting the elements of sectoral system of innovation for the development of Indonesia's electric vehicle industry. The third article was written by **Ratna Sri Harjanti, et al.**, who explored the gap in mastery of ICT technology soft skills for vocational graduate workers in industry, with the case study of Politeknik LPP.

The fourth article was written by **Rendi Febrianda, et al.**, who discussed the technological products of the 4<sup>th</sup> industrial revolution from public R&D institutions in Indonesia and the challenges arising from the development to the diffusion process. The fifth article was written by **Arief Kurniawan, et al.**, who discussed the understanding the role of trust mediation in e-government adoption in citizenship administration services policies in Bantul Regency using DISDUKCAPIL smart application.

I would like to thank you the authors who have submitted articles to STIPM Journal for their trust, patience and timely revisions as well as for trusting Editor and Editorial Board. This scientific work is published widely on an open access policy. My gratitude also goes to all members of the Editorial Board and reviewers who have contributed to this second issue, all of whom increase the quality of articles in this journal even more. We continue to welcome article submissions in the field of science, technology and innovation policy and management.

We wish you a 2024 Happy New Year!

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Editor-in-Chief