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Dear readers, dear colleagues,

You have in your hands the second issue of the journal Social Pathology and Prevention, year 2018, which includes four scientific articles, a discussion contribution, information about international scientific conferences and a book review. We are very pleased to have managed to get contributions from abroad, particularly from Lithuania, Poland and Slovakia. It is possible to gain insight of the possibilities of solving risky behaviour and its prevention in various countries, as well as to realize how much the addressed issues are in common.

The authors Ala Petrulytė and Virginija Guogienė from the Vytautas Magnus University present an interesting study orientated towards finding positive factors affecting resilience in relation to emotional and social health. They represent a research whose aim was to determine the level of social and emotional aspects of health and empathy, including a description of their relationship. The results of the research are significant in the context of the positive development of adolescents and they contribute to the development of social and emotional health of students at school.

The Polish author Iwona Sobieraj deals with The Rights of National and Ethnic Minorities and Immigrants in the Context of Dynamics of Ethnic Relations in Poland.

The paper "Media Addictions in a School Environment and Possibilities of Prevention" of the Slovak author Cimprichová-Gežová is a theoretical study that analyzes the cause of formation, consequences and ways of preventing media addictions, focusing on school age and school environment. She does not only stress risks of the effect of media, but also assesses their positive features. In connection with reference to the easy suggestibility of children and young people by the media, she highlights the need for high-quality prevention which among other things includes the work of a social pedagogue and the function of well-implemented media education.

The Czech contribution "The Emergence of Skinheads in the CSSR" is a historical retrospect to the creation and operation of the skinhead movement. The anti-Communist mood in the society and growing community intolerance towards the gypsy population paved the way for far-right thinking. The author shows the relationship between song lyrics and provocative actions and behaviour. This analysis is a lesson for generations about the possible circumstances of the development of an extremist movement.

The discussion paper focuses on the area of preventive measures at the level of primary prevention in relation to pupils of secondary school. Such measures are most often implemented by and the field of prevention in elementary school participated in by a school methodology of prevention specialist. The article reflects considerations about the position of a social educator.

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The issue is closed by information about a conference on the topic Family with an Addicted Individual organized by the Institute of Pedagogical and Psychological Sciences, and by a review of the book by Zdeněk Sloboda, Adolescence, Parenthood and (Homo)Sexuality. I trust that readers will find interesting and stimulating communication in the text presented which will inspire them to undertake their own part on research.

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