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GeAS JOURNAL IS NOW INDEXED IN THE SCOPUS DATABASE!

Dear Readers,

It is a great pleasure to present the first edition of 2019 of the Environmental Management and Sustainability Journal (GeAS Journal) that includes 10 scientific articles published both in Portuguese and English. The publication of the articles in English from now on aims to increase the scope of the journal at the international level. Progressively, GeAS Journal has been consolidating itself as an important vehicle for dissemination and discussion of scientific works that contribute to the advancement of research in the area of Environmental Management and Sustainability.

We are proud to share with you a very good news: since this edition onwards, articles published by GeAS Journal will be indexed in the Scopus database. This is the largest database of abstracts and citations in peer reviewed and reviewed literature worldwide. The Scopus database includes scientific journals, books and conference proceedings. With regard to the CAPES Qualis-Periodicals system, a journal that is indexed in the Scopus database may be qualified in the upper strata (rankings: A1, A2 and B1), mainly in the Administration area (Maccari, Hsu, Storopoli, Silva, 2018; Martins, Maccari, Silva, & Todorov, 2014).

This achievement represents an important opportunity to increase the international visibility and dissemination of articles published in the journal. This recognition comes after five years of constant development and monitoring of editorial processes, such as: commitment to evaluation deadlines of the articles, quality of technical comments provided to the authors, updating the scope of the journal, publication of special editions, participation of the editors in the most important events of the environmental management and sustainability area, and dissemination of information about the



journal in social media. Indexations in Redalyc, Scientific Library Spell (ANPAD) and Emerging Citations Index (Web of Science) database were also an important result of the concentrated efforts in the editorial process. At first, efforts were concentrated in Redalyc that indexes Ibero-American periodicals, and Spell - Scientific Periodicals Electronic Library that indexes Brazilian periodicals.

GeAs Journal was created in 2012 in the context of the Professional Master's Degree in Business Administration - Environmental Management and Sustainability at UNINOVE - University of Nove de Julho. By the end of 2018, 184 articles have been published on various topics involving the area of Environmental Management and Sustainability. The formal submission and evaluation process at Scopus began in mid-2017 and lasted two years. In March 2019 the Scientific Council of the Scopus database announced the approval for inclusion of the magazine in the database. The opinion issued by Scopus and its final decision was based on the fact that the journal consistently includes articles that are scientific, sound and relevant to a target audience (academic or professional) in the field of Environmental Management and Sustainability and related areas.

Figure 1 shows the evolution of the number of citations received from articles published in GeAS journal in periodicals indexed by Scopus, from 2012 until 2019. In this period, according to Scopus, GeAS journal received 43 citations. In the Spell ranking, according to the impact of the last 5 years without self-citation, this journal was ranked 24th (Figure 2).

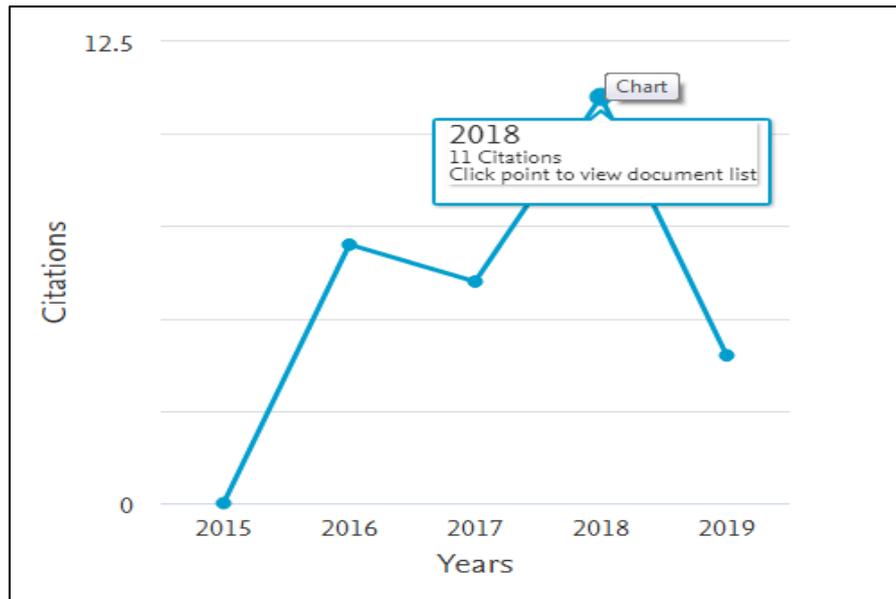
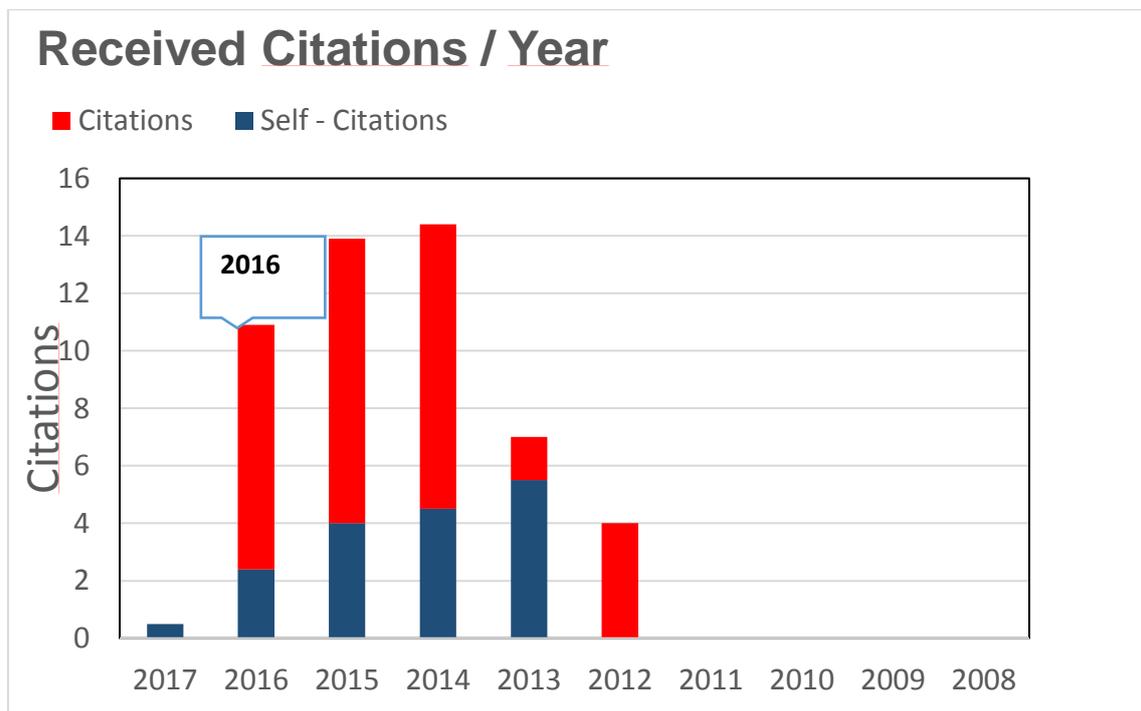


Figure 1: Number of citations received from articles published in GeAS journal in periodicals indexed by Scopus

Source: Scopus (2019)



GEAS JOURNAL - SPELL IMPACT (2012-2017)

Figure 2: Citations of GeAS Magazine in Spell Database

Source: SPELL (ANPAD, 2019).



Another highlight of GeAS journal is the creation of special editions on emerging issues in the area. In 2017, the second issue of GeAS Magazine published a special edition focusing on "Urban Sustainability: Challenges and Opportunities for Cities", which included the publication of a set of twelve articles on this specific theme. In 2019, GeAS Journal received funds from the National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq in Portuguese), via CNPq / CAPES no. 18/2018 - Editorial Program (Process 406702 / 2018-7), for the elaboration of a special edition that aims to discuss "Methodologies, Methods and Instruments for Sustainability Research". This edition, in digital and printed format, will be launched at the XXI International Meeting on Environmental Management and Environment (XXI ENGEMA) in December 2019. For the year 2020, a special edition on "Innovation Strategy in Emerging Markets ", which will bring together the best works of the XLIII ANPAD - ENANPAD 2019 Meeting in this area.

All over these years, we have had the collaboration of several professionals. In this regard, we express our gratitude to all the actors involved in the production and publication of GeAS Journal, in particular, blind reviewers, members of the Editorial Board and the Scientific Committee, normative reviewers, editorial assistants, as well as the authors who have submitted their articles, and all the ones that have chosen the GeAS Magazine as the scientific vehicle for dissemination of their research. Last but not least, we would like to highlight the important institutional support of Universidade Nove de Julho - UNINOVE.

Great reading to all!

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