

Preface

This volume is the result of the need of the moment – similarly felt by both of us, the undersigned – to meet the demand of the international statistical community for first-hand knowledge of the multiple consequences of the war in Ukraine for the functioning of the national statistical system as well as for statistics as a discipline, and as “statistics without borders”. On behalf of the editorial offices and scientific boards and committees of the *Statistics in Transition new series* and *Statistics of Ukraine*, about half a year ago we invited researchers and practitioners to submit manuscripts to a joint Special Issue devoted to statistical data production in wartime conditions.

From the descriptions of situations in which the national statistical system functions, including evidence on organizational and methodological problems and challenges, presented in this volume, a vision for a new role of statistics and statisticians emerges as important participants in ongoing processes.

We present this volume to the Readers in the hope that it will shed light on these issues and draw attention to those that require immediate attention and reflection by members of the international statistical community.

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