It is a great honor for the academic and scientific community of the Autonomous University of the State of Mexico to publish this year the 50th issue of the journal Papeles de POBLACIÓN, when we are also celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the transformation of the Scientific and Literary Institute into the Autonomous University of the State of Mexico.

Quarterly published, the journal has maintained, since its first number, the idea of being a space for academic divulgation on population studies, from a multidisciplinary, relevant and high-quality perspective, elements which have validated its permanence into the Mexican Journals of Scientific and Technological Research from the Science and Technology National Council, among other indexes and specialized databases.

Because of the pertinence and high academic content of its articles, the journal Papeles de POBLACIÓN has become an important forum for national and international academic diffusion. It is enough to mention that the journal has a wide circulation in more than 40 American and European countries.

A fundamental part of this achievement is due to the outstanding work performed by the Population’s Research and Advanced Studies Center of this University, to the authors, who trust and send in their valuable contributions, as well as its prestigious Editorial Council and the producer team’s tenacious performance.

This issue of Papeles de POBLACIÓN constitutes a reliable sample that the Autonomous University of the State of Mexico has comprehensively taken its commitment to contribute to the development and diffusion of socially relevant demographic researches.

I am fully convinced that, in the next years, the journal will be as it is now, encouraging the demographic knowledge and generating information of social relevance for all the people interested in the demographic phenomenon.

For the aforementioned, I congratulate the Journal staff and wish you aplenty success in the future.

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