

The global economy is navigating a period of profound turbulence. Geopolitical instability, technological disruption, and the imperative of sustainable development have converged to create unprecedented challenges for policymakers, businesses, and researchers. This special issue of *Notas Económicas*, prepared by the Eastern European Union of Scientists of Ukraine under the coordination of Prof. Mykola Biloshkurskyi (Pavlo Tychyna Uman State Pedagogical University, Ukraine), addresses these challenges through contributions that combine theoretical rigor with practical relevance.

The authors explore critical themes in economics and management, engaging with questions that resonate across academic and policy makers: how to strengthen economic resilience, safeguard socio-economic security, and harness digital transformation for sustainable growth. The nine contributions span diverse areas: from cognitive modelling in financial risk management and digital security frameworks for industry, to the integration of socio-cultural and technological factors in hospitality, and the evolution of accounting practices under ESG imperatives. Collectively, they provide a multidimensional view of contemporary economic challenges and propose pathways for navigating uncertainty with analytical rigor and strategic foresight.

It is important to note the context in which this research was conducted. Ukraine is currently experiencing the severe consequences of armed conflict, which has disrupted economic activity and created significant uncertainty. This issue acknowledges the resilience and dedication of scholars who continue to advance economic research under these extraordinary circumstances.

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