EDITORIAL

Exploring Interdisciplinary Challenges in Social Security

A significant image, attributed to Bernado de Chartres but widely disseminated by Isaac Newton, reminds us that we must climb onto the shoulder of the giant when we are investigating problems in scientific research (Iglesias, 2005).

In line with this idea, the ANPPREV Social Security Journal (RASS), ISSN 2966-330X, proudly presents its second edition, featuring English, Spanish, and Portuguese articles.

The aforementioned metaphor aptly encapsulates the mission of the Celso Barroso Leite Center for Legal Studies, which, through dedicated efforts and with the unwavering support of Dr. Maria Santíssima, President of the National Association of Federal Public Prosecutors and Lawyers in Brasília/DF, has tirelessly achieved the dissemination of scientific knowledge.
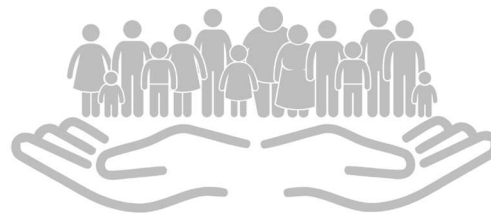
The scientific rigor and dedicated efforts are recognized nowadays and may be perceived in some evidence. The journal RASS has recently been indexed in Latindex, LatinRev, LivRe, ResearchBib, BASE, SIS, OUCI, Diadorim, Miguilim, ABEC, EuroPub, and WorldCat. Each article receives a specific DOI immediately after its publication on the web. Additionally, we prioritize diversity and actively strive to minimize endogeneity in our editorial practices.

This edition continues to excel in its interdisciplinary approach to the problems of Social Security, which is the largest and one of the most important public policies in Brazil. Social Security is an integrated system of protection for Health, Social Security, and Assistance,

financed by society and provided by the Brazilian state (Marques; Pierdoná; Francisco, 2022; Monteiro, 2022), and is frequently studied from the perspective of benefit plans, while at other times, it is studied from the aspect of funding sources, thus touching on tax law (Alves, 2024; De Paula; Teixeira, 2024). Furthermore, Social Security, an autonomous legal relationship compared to the employment relationship, has always been intrinsically linked to human labor.

Moreover, with the advent of the Fourth Industrial Revolution, several challenges have arisen about protecting human labor. However, the scarcity of resources can also cope with ever-increasing social expectations (De Albuquerque Lima, 2024). Studies can help Social Security safeguard the protection of individuals without losing sight of the need for financial and actuarial balance.

On the other hand, human interactions in society are susceptible to conflict expressed by disputes or claims for social or individual rights. The solution to these disputes, aimed at complete social pacification (Monsalve Cuellar, 2024), has encountered limitations in the traditional way of judicializing public policies. These issues have reached a critical turning point, necessitating the application of consensus in both private and public law to alleviate judicial gridlock (Guerra; Palma, 2018).
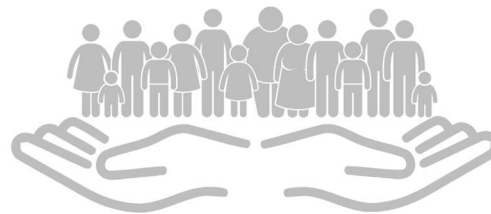
To a great extent, these themes align with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations' 2030 agenda (Rosseto; Ben, 2024). This edition, therefore, is at the heart of discussions involving sustainability in the world, dealing with issues that are covered in at least 5 of the 17 SDGs, such as protection of the ageing population, mediation of labor disputes in Colombia, financing Social Security, the tax option for the Private Pension System, the importance of the legal advisory and consultancy activity of the Federal Attorney General's Office, the importance of defending the Democratic Rule of Law in administrative proceedings.

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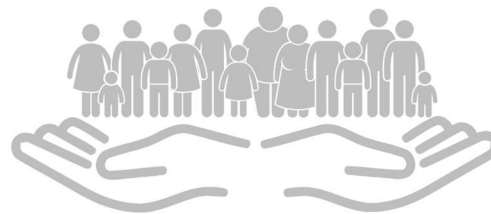
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