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Dear Vice-Rector of University Valahia of Târgoviște,

Dear Dean of Technical Faculty - University of Food Technologies of Plovdiv,

Dear Dean of Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Mechatronics - University Politehnica of Bucharest,

Dear researchers, ladies and gentleman

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, please allow me to welcome you at the 8th International Conference on Thermal Equipment, Renewable Energy and Rural Development (TE-RE-RD 2019), organized by a consortia of Universities, Research Institute and NGO in the old and beautiful city Târgoviște.

The first ten editions (2001-2011) of the Conference were organized at National level only in University Politehnica. Since 2012 the Conference became International and was organized in several locations in Romania, excepting 2017 when was hosted by the Golden Sands resort in Bulgaria.

Dear participants and guests,

The first reason why the city of Târgoviște, the capital of Dâmbovița County, was selected as a Conference host is related to the industry and agriculture development of the area, close to the Conference topics. Here I can remember the Thermal Power Plant of Doicești (the first TPP powered with pulverized coal), the metallurgic industry in Târgoviște, the cement factory in Fieni and the agriculture, with multiple examples of “energy from waste” projects.

The second reason is historical one: more than 200 years, Târgoviște was the Capital of Valahia. Here are a lot of beautiful monuments and buildings that wait to be visited by you.

Ladies and gentlemen,

The novelty of this edition of our Conference is that the accepted and presented papers will be published under the auspices of the prestigious Publishing House - E3S Web of Conferences and will be indexed in Web of Sciences, Scopus and other important international scientific databases.

Finally, I wish to thank to all participants to the Conference for their presence here, and especially to the members of the Scientific and Organizing Committees, who worked hard to make it possible.

Prof. Lucian Mihăescu

Chairman of TE-RE-RD 2019