

## Editorial Note

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### 1. Indexing

*Economics and Business Letters* (EBL), launched in 2012, is indexed in ESCI - Emerging Sources Citation Index (Web of Science) from 2015 and in Scopus from 2017. We expect its first SJR score for 2018 in Spring 2019. EBL was also included in the Academic Journal Guide 2018 among the 336 journals selected for the category "Economics, Econometrics and Statistics" with 1\*. Finally, EBL is included in Econlit since 2017.

### 2. Statistics

Table 1 summarizes the submissions since 2012. We have handled 446 manuscripts, with an acceptance rate of 35.32 per cent. We want to highlight two aspects: first, an increasing number of desk rejections, which benefits both the authors and the referees; second, the sharp increase in received manuscripts in 2018, a logical consequence of the indexation of EBL in ESCI and Scopus.

Table 1. Activity report 2012-2018.

	2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018(P)	
	N.	%	N.	%										
<b>Received</b>	81	100	45	100	50	100	65	100	55	100	43	100	107	
<b>Accepted</b>	25	30.86	21	46.67	30	60.00	20	30.77	24	43.64	11	25.58	23	23.71
<b>Rejected</b>	56	69.14	24	53.33	20	40.00	45	69.23	31	56.36	32	74.42	74	76.29
<b>In Review</b>														10

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### 3. Metrics

Since the indexation in SCOPUS started in 2017, there is still no SJR score available. The first score (for 2018) is expected to appear soon this year. Meanwhile, we have identified the citations received from the journals included in SCOPUS, updated as of February 2019. It should be noted that accepted / online first articles are not included here (nor self-citations).

Citations in journal articles included in SCOPUS, 2018 (in progress):

#### 3-years

- Cites in 2018 to articles published in 2015-2017: 16
- Number of articles published in 2015-2017: 55
- Cites/articles 2018 (3years): **0.291**

#### 5-years

- Cites in 2018 to articles published in 2013-2017: 43
- Number of articles published in 2013-2017: 105
- Cites/articles 2018 (5years): **0.410**

#### 2-years

- Cites in 2018 to articles published in 2016-2017: 13
- Number of articles published in 2016-2017: 36
- Cites/articles 2018 (2years): **0.361**

In addition, the total citations to EBL can be found in the google scholar profile. As of February 2019, received citations are the following:

- Citations: 457
- h-index: 11
- i10-index: 13

<https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=syBPq1AAAAAJ&hl=en>

#### *Most cited papers*

Computing only the citations in journals included in SSCI/SCI and/or Scopus, the most cited papers are those reported in Table 2.

Table 2. Most cited articles (as of February 2019).

<i>Paper</i>	<i>Citations</i>
A.Y. Javid, M. Javid and Z.A. Awan (2013) <a href="#">Electricity consumption and economic growth: evidence from Pakistan</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 2(1), 21-32	10
Lansink, A.O. and A. Wall (2014) <a href="#">Frontier models for evaluating environmental efficiency: an overview</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 3(1), 43-50	9
Aiello, F. and Bonanno, G. (2013) <a href="#">Profit and cost efficiency in the Italian banking industry (2006-2011)</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 2(4), 190-205	9
Patuelli, R., M. Mussoni and G. Candela (2014) <a href="#">Cultural offer and distance in a spatial interaction model for tourism</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 3(2), 96-108	6
Alvarez, A. and C. Arias (2014) <a href="#">Some important issues in applied stochastic frontier analysis</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 3(1), 3-11	6
Grosskopf, S., Hayes, K. and Taylor, L.L (2014) <a href="#">Applied efficiency analysis in education</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 3(1), 19-26	6
Ntim, C.G. (2012) <a href="#">Does the South African stock market value independent dual board leadership structure?</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 1(1), 35-45	6
Angulo, A., J. Mur and J. Trivez (2014) <a href="#">Measure of the resilience to Spanish economic crisis: the role of specialization</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 3(4), 263-275	5
Whitehead, J.C., D.S. Noonan and E. Marquardt (2014) <a href="#">Criterion and predictive validity of revealed and stated preference data: the case of Mountain Home Music concert demand</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 3(2), 87-95	5
Filippini, M. and L. Orea (2014) <a href="#">Applications of the stochastic frontier approach in Energy Economics</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 3(1), 35-42	4
Siegel, C., S.B. Caudill and F.G. Mixon (2013) <a href="#">Clear skies, dark waters: The Gulf oil spill and the price of coastal condominiums in Alabama</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 2(2), 42-53	4
Zhao, J. and P.J. Barry (2013) <a href="#">Implications of different income diversification indexes: the case of rural China</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 2(1), 13-20	4
Castellani, M., P. Pattitoni and A.E. Scorcu (2012) <a href="#">Visual artist price heterogeneity</a> , <i>Economics and Business Letters</i> , 1(3), 16-22	4

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