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## Introduction

I have the honor to present the newest edition of the “**TOP 15’s Research Papers**”. It contains articles prepared by participants of the 13th edition of the elite TOP 15 program, which was created with the aim of developing the research competences of Kozminski University students under the supervision of experienced mentors.

This 13th edition of the “TOP 15’s Research papers” consists of 6 articles dedicated to various topics. The issue opens with an article devoted to the analysis of remote work in the era of rapid digital transformation experienced by the world during mass social isolation related to the spread of the COVID-19. The author focuses on analyzing the experiences of knowledge workers and attempts to create a new model of work-life balance based on remote work. The second text is devoted to the succession of family businesses. The author focuses on the perspective of successors and analyzes their needs in terms of potential cooperation with advisors. Conclusions formulated in the article are based on the analysis of empirical material collected during in-depth interviews with 8 potential successors of family businesses. The author of the third article draws readers’ attention to the often-unnoticeable negative effects of digital transformation on everyday life. He analyzes the impact of modern technologies into the way of making decisions by individuals as well as shaping various types of mental and physical disorders.

The next article is devoted to the legal challenges related to the development of artificial intelligence. The author emphasizes that using it, despite many benefits, is associated with a risk that occurs in four areas: product liability, copyright, personal data protection and ethics. The novelty of the

introduced solutions means that they are not subject to separate legal regulations. Therefore, the key question becomes whether the designed solutions have a chance to provide answers to all identified challenges? The author of the fifth text addresses the issue of tax sanctions in the value added tax and their compliance with the law of the European Union. Based on the analysis of established body of case law, she presents a number of problems related to the introduction of these provisions into the legal system and indicates the need to make adjustments that will allow for more purposeful imposition of tax sanctions on taxpayers. The last article of the current edition of “TOP 15’s Research papers “ is devoted to the analysis of the consequences of limiting the criminal liability of medical practitioners for actions taken to diagnose or treat COVID-19. Its author presents the structure of the regulation known as the Good Samaritan clause and compares it with the construction of countertypes. She also assesses the impact of the clause on liability in the event of mistakes of a diagnostic, therapeutic, technical, organizational, informational and prognostic nature.

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