The journal *Paremia* was created taking the *Proverbium* journal as a model and one of its objectives is to promote paremiographic and paremiological research carried out mainly in Spanish, although the journal includes papers written in other languages. As many of the articles are written in Spanish, *Paremia* has contributed to the fact that Spanish has become the scientific language in these knowledge fields.

As we are about to reach 30 published issues, it has been considered appropriate to publish one in English, due to the fact that many scholars of phraseological units communicate in this language and are not familiar with the theories and methodological proposals developed in Spanish. This issue is coordinated by Rossana Sidoti (University of Messina, Italy) and Kerstin Schwandtner (University of Alcalá de Henares, Spain).

Due to the death of the paremiologist Peter Grzybek in May 2019, we asked Wolfgang Mieder to write a resume of his life, which can be found at the beginning of this issue, replacing the interview that usually constitutes the first text in the journal.

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This issue of the journal *Paremia*, dedicated to the English-speaking community, contains a selection of papers that provide an overview of the paremiological and phraseological research carried out mostly by Spanish speakers.

After the brief biography of the Austrian researcher Peter Gryzbek, who passed away in 2019, the reader will find some works written by prestigious paremiologists and phraseologists published in *Paremia* and translated into English. The reason of reprinting them in English is to spread their theories and working methods, since they have influenced a large number of researchers. The remaining papers present some current trends in paremiological and phraseological research. Among them, a paper by Wolfgang Mieder could not be missed, as he is one of the initiators of the journal *Paremia*. In this way, it is possible to give a vision both of the beginnings of the modern paremiology and phraseology and of the present of these two linguistic disciplines. Many experts and research groups have focused on these fields of knowledge and on the Spanish language, either as the only language of study or as one of the languages of study.

The Spanish language, for its richness in phraseological units, is the subject of many studies, whose numbers are steadily increasing, such as the number of articles, books and theses discussed. There is also an increment of scientific meetings on this subject organized in and outside of Spain with the participation of Spanish and foreign Hispanist researchers.

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