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The current issue of the Athens Journal of Tourism (AJT) is the first issue of the sixth volume (2019). The reader will notice some changes compared with the previous issues, which I hope is an improvement. An effort has been made to include papers which extent to different fields connected to Tourism and Hospitality, and will further promote research in the specific area of studies.

Gregory T. Papanikos, President
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