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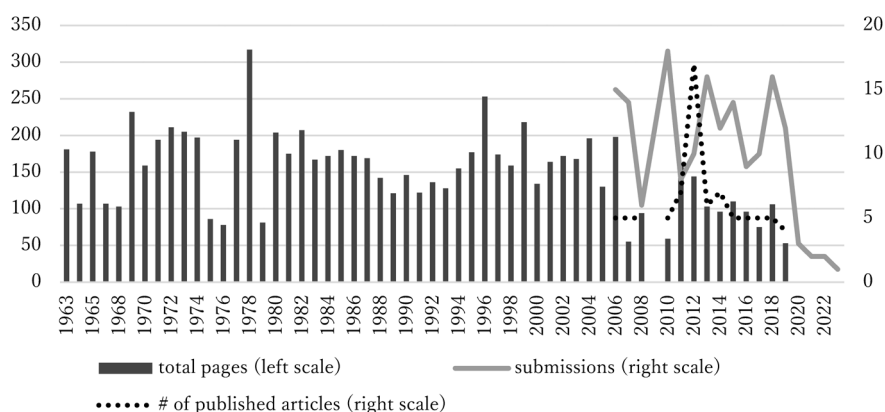
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ANNOUNCEMENT OF HALTING OF THE PUBLICATION OF *KEIO ECONOMIC STUDIES*

Keio Economic Studies exhibits the glory of the Faculty of Economics of Keio University. It was established in 1963, only 11 years after Japan restored its full sovereignty after World War II. In those days, it was probably not easy to finance two academic journals in a department of a private university.¹ Nevertheless, as one of Keio's principles, "Shachu-Kyoryoku" (the collaboration of the company), says, all department faculty members and students have generously supported the two journals. The *KES* editorial board also worked hard to receive articles from top economists to answer such support. As a result, *KES* has articles written by Amartya Sen, Lawrence Klein, Lionel McKenzie, and Michihiro Ohyama, to name a few. It was circulated well among Japanese universities and received substantial submissions from abroad. Many graduate students, including myself, at the Graduate School of Economics of Keio University had their first publication experience with *KES*. Therefore, I can no doubt claim that *KES* has fulfilled its two purposes addressed in Koike (1963): to acquaint foreign scholars with the high standards of study in economics at Keio and Japan and to contribute to the exchange of economic studies.

However, the time has changed. Now, there is an abundance of economics journals in English worldwide, and *KES* is receiving fewer and fewer submissions (Figure 1). The faculty members and students at Keio Economics have become truly international so that we can publish elsewhere. In sum, the quality of research at Keio Economics is known to the world without the help of *KES*. Therefore, regretfully, the Editorial Board proposed halting *KES* to the General Assembly of the Keio Economic Society, which was approved in 2022. The current issue publishes all accepted papers during 2020-2022.

¹ The *Mita Gakkai Zasshi* (Mita Journal of Economics) in Japanese was established in 1909.

Figure 1. KES publication related data²

Last but not least, we thank all contributors to *KES* in these 60 years and encourage potential contributors to submit their works to *Mita Gakkai Zasshi (Mita Journal of Economics)*, which now publishes English-language articles. All *KES* issues are available at KOARA (Keio Associated Repository of Academic Resources).

“But, of course, it isn’t really Good-bye, because the Forest will always be there... and anybody who is Friendly with Bears can find it.” (Milne, 1935)

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² “Total pages” is the number of pages in each year’s publication (the bars). “Submissions” (the solid line) is the number of papers submitted. Since the submission data was recorded only from 2006, I also show “the number of published articles” (the dotted line) for the same period only. However, the number of published articles had been stable between 6 and 9 per year. Years 2009, 2020, 2021, and 2022 did not have a publication. The years 1978 and 2011 had special issues. The author and Ms. Maruyama at Keio Economic Society manually collected data from the actual *KES* volumes and the society’s records respectively.