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Figure 1.
Geographical
distribution of editorial
members

Source: Author's own depiction

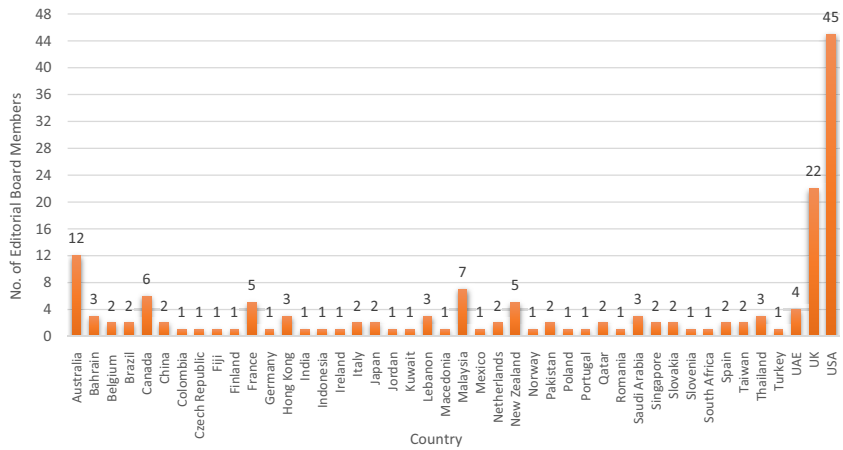
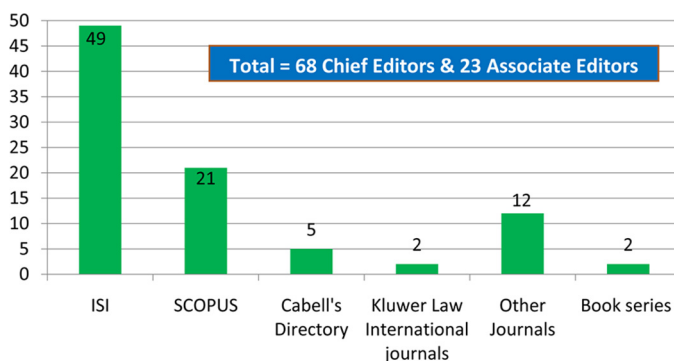


Figure 2.
Editorial members
country-wise

Source: Author's own depiction



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Figure 3.
Chief editors and
associate editors from
other journals in PSU
editorial board

- *Journal of International Business Studies* – Consulting Editor, Professor Hemant Merchant, University of South Florida St. Petersburg, USA.
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- 10th Most prolific International Management scholar in the world Professor Hemant Merchant, University of South Florida St. Petersburg, USA.

Highlights of 2017

First Issue Summary (Volume 1, Issue 1).



Business and Law



USA	City University of New York
USA	University of Kansas
USA	University of Massachusetts Lowell



5 articles



Australia	Macquarie University
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12 authors



Ireland	Dublin City University
Ireland	University College Dublin



Italy	Bologna University
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**6 countries;
9 Universities**



Mexico	University of Sonora
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UK	University of Ulster
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Second Issue Summary (Volume 1, Issue 2).



Computer Science & Engineering



UK	University of Oxford
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7 articles



USA	Purdue University
USA	Michigan State University
USA	Texas State University



Australia	Macquarie University
Australia	University of New South Wales



21 authors



Singapore	Nanyang Technological University
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France	Telecom Sud Paris, Institut Mines-Telecom
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**7 countries;
12 Universities**



Canada	Laurentian University
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Italy	University of Naples Federico II
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Italy	University of Salerno
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Italy	University of Cassino and Southern Lazio
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Third Issue Summary (Volume 1, Issue 3).



Education & Humanities



Saudi Arabia	University of Tabouk
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**6 articles &
1 Book Review**



USA	The State University of New York at Buffalo
USA	Montclair State University



USA	Roger Williams University
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UK	University of Surrey
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UK	Bangor University
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12 authors



United Arab Emirates	Higher Colleges of Technology
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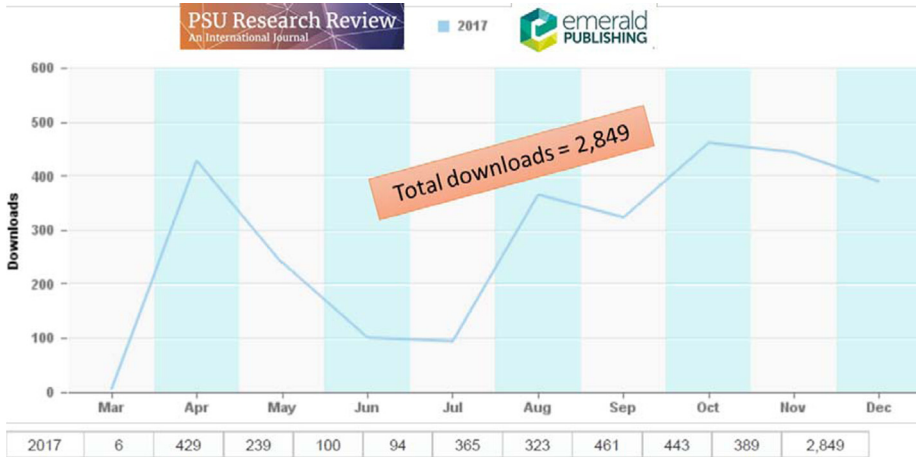
Malaysia	Universiti Malaysia Pahang
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**6 countries;
9 Universities**



Pakistan	Air University Islamabad
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Figure 4.
Journal performance report – *PSU Research Review: An International Journal*

First Issue of 2018 (Volume 2 No 1)

I am proud to present six articles and a book review that comprise a highly diverse, value-adding and contemporary set of perspectives in the domains of business. Based on data from 19 advanced countries, [Lago et al. \(2018\)](#) suggest that gender and culture are much stronger in influencing risk propensity among non-entrepreneurs than among entrepreneurs. The article, by [Umrani et al. \(2018\)](#), investigates the relationship between corporate entrepreneurship (CE), organizational culture and business performance in Pakistan. They find that banks may take considerable efforts to maximize their performance through fostering middle managers’ perceptions of CE. [Umrani et al. \(2018\)](#) also provided theoretical implications through additional empirical evidence on resource-based view (RBV) of the firm. [Tan and Lakehal-Ayat \(2018\)](#) argue that the Chicago Board of Options Exchange (CBOE) only released weekly options four individual equities – Bank of America (BAC.N), Apple (AAPL.O), Citigroup (C.N) and US-listed shares of BP (BP.L) (BP.N). They find a positive association between the effects of market sentiment, liquidity, persistence and leverage in the dynamics of IV during earnings announcement. They conclude that the findings may help traders to formulate strategies that can circumvent the undefined risk associated with trading options strategies such as writing strangles.

The article, by [Hanaysha \(2018\)](#), examines the effects of corporate social responsibility, social media marketing, sales promotion, store environment and perceived value on a purchase decision in the retail sector. Based on 278 customers of retail stores in Malaysia, the study finds that corporate social responsibility and sales promotion have significant positive effects on a purchase decision. The outcomes of this study also indicated that store environment has a significant positive effect on consumers’ purchase decisions, but the effect of social media marketing on purchase decision is insignificant. [Sekrafi and Sghaier \(2018\)](#) evaluate the impact of corruption on the environmental quality in Tunisia. They find three important findings:

- (1) a positive and significant relationship between control of corruption and economic growth;

- (2) a negative and significant relationship between control of corruption and environmental quality (CO₂); and
- (3) a negative and significant relationship between control of corruption and energy consumption.

The findings suggest that while control of corruption contributes to economic growth, its positive effect could be transposed indirectly via its impacts on environmental quality. The sixth article, by [Rouf \(2018\)](#), examines the influence of various corporate characteristics such as total assets, total sales, return on assets (ROA), return on sales, liquidity and age on leverage for the listed non-financial companies in Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) for the period of 2011-2015. He concludes that total assets, return on assets and age are negatively and significantly related to leverage of companies. He also suggests that there is a need for greater compliance with the local and international standards and penalties for non-compliance. Finally, [Muhammad et al. \(2018\)](#) provided a book review on “International Business: Alan M. Rugman, Simon Collinson. United Kingdom: Pearson Education”. They evaluate the content on theories, challenges and issues to international business discussed in the book. They highlight that the book is essential because it highlights the dominant economies – the EU, the USA and Japan – as well as emerging markets in world trade, such as Brazil, India and China.

In closing, I encourage you to send your work to *PSU Research Review*.

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