

# Editorial

Academic publishing is a scientific publication that dates back to 1985. Originally conceived as a tool for disseminating military knowledge produced in the post-training schools of the Ministry of Aeronautics, the magazine matured and improved, fighting to occupy its position. space in the academic field. This trajectory was the result of a lot of teamwork, training and responsibility in receiving the legacy of those who laboriously acted as editors, reviewers and collaborators since the beginning. We are very honored to continue the journey!

As a relevant part of these efforts to make Revista da UNIFA a scientific journal is the definition of its scope, mission and thematic profile. The publication focuses its attention on studies dedicated to Aerospace Power, as well as the thematic areas of interest to the Brazilian Air Force and activities carried out within the scope of the Aeronautics Command. Initially, it was understood, the profile needed to be made explicit, in order to ensure due clarity. Therefore, the editorial profile focuses on public policy in the area of Defense. In this way, we seek to guide the journal's profile by an element that guides the articles gathered in our editions. Thus, as stated in the **Basic Doctrine of Aeronautics**:

**Aerospace Power** is the capacity resulting from the integration of the resources available to the nation for the use of airspace and outer space, whether as an instrument of political and military action, or as a factor of economic and social development, aiming to achieve and maintain the Objectives Nationals (BRAZIL, 2012, p. 10).

In this edition, there are scientific articles that deal with the beginnings of the constitution of Aerospace Power, more precisely, to correct, Air Power. The purpose of the copy presented here is to make the reading public reflect on the historical development of certain state plans that aim to create means capable of providing for the conservation of the homeland. Thus, the mission of institutions linked to the art of war takes on another meaning, emphasizing not only the desires of their creators, but also their limits and demands. The international context, technological environment, tactical, operational and strategic implications, and the imperatives of Brazilian sovereignty converge to build the face of the capacity to use airspace as an instrument of political and military action at a given time.

The option for a thematic edition is to take advantage of a relevant, foundational date, so to speak, which is the centenary of the inauguration of the Military Aviation School (EAvM), in 1919, in Campo dos Afonsos. Although the basic infrastructure of this military education organization dates back to 1914, with the founding of the Brazilian Aviation School (EBA) and its reoccupation by the Brazilian Aero-Club Aviation School in 1916, the establishment of a military aerodrome only came to actually be configured with the professional technical support of the French Military Aviation Mission. Even though the Brazil-France military cooperation contract was signed in 1918, the initial steps towards instructing military personnel in piloting and maintenance, training in planning and strategy, doctrinal training and the creation of an infrastructure for aviation only it came to germinate in 1919, taking root and expanding in the following decade. We therefore place Campo dos Afonsos as ground zero of the national project to give wings to Brazil.

Happy reading!

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