

# CALL FOR PAPERS

SPECIAL ISSUE

## "Unfolding New Social Innovations for a New Digital Era"



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**A new digital era is changing innovation dynamics,  
nature and forms of social innovation.**

**Unstoppable advances of emerging and converging  
technologies and the “next normal” environment  
are adding complexity, opportunities, and risks  
to social innovation.**

**This Special Issue calls for papers to advance  
research on how digital transformation is shaping  
pathways to develop new social innovations and  
a more comprehensive understanding of innovation.**

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## Examples of topics include, but are not limited, to:

- How do organizations from all sectors generate social innovations facing fast digitalization and the “next normal”? What new capabilities are required?
- What shifts occur in social needs in the “next normal” and how can they be addressed with the support of digital technologies? What are the differences between developed and developing economies? (e.g., in the Global Agenda2030 and SDGs).
- How do high-tech, emerging and converging technologies interrelate with social innovation? (e.g., social fin-tech, blockchain and innovation commons, digital social innovation and free innovation). What is their impact on the measurement of social innovation? (e.g., use of Big Data, Artificial Intelligence, blockchain).
- How is digitalization affecting cross-sectoral collaboration, social innovation processes, scaling and governance models?
- Which novel social innovations are being created across formal and informal economy sectors? (e.g., blockchain and social economy; emerging technologies in sharing, green, blue, silver, orange and GIG economies).
- What is the role of policy regulations related to digitalization and future social innovations (e.g., IP rights, health, safety, labour market and privacy)?
- How can digitalization contribute to new forms of power and democratic participation? (e.g., decentralized Internet and private blockchain, digital social currency).
- What is the impact of emergent digital cultures and institutionalization of digital socio-cultural practices?
- How is social investment changing by digitalization? (e.g., digital social incubators and accelerators, blockchain in crowd-funding and peer-to-peer lending).