Call for Special Issue Papers:
Perspectives of Social Informatics

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Special issue information

As was stated in (Smutny & Vehovar, 2020): "Research activities related to social informatics are expanding, even as community fragmentation, topical dispersion, and methodological diversity continue to increase. Specifically, the different understandings of social informatics in regional communities have strong impacts, and each has a different history, methodological grounding, and often a different thematic focus." Therefore, this special issue would like to present different perspectives on social informatics that arose in the world (see overviews e.g. in Fichman et al., 2015; Fichman & Rosenbaum, 2014; Smutny, 2016; Petrič & Atanasova, 2013). Therefore, the special issue will be divided into two parts that cover the full scope of social informatics. The first part will focus on **theoretically oriented articles** and the second part on **empirically oriented articles**. The special issue is also open to articles that have a thematically close research focus (e.g. socio-informatics) and/or use regional terms that can be translated into English as social informatics, e.g. samfunnsinformatikk, sosialinformatikk, sosioinformatikk, sozioinformatik (Wulf et al., 2018), sozialinformatik (Kreidenweis, 2012), социальная информатика (Sokolova, 2018; Kolin, 2015; Kolin, 2011), družboslovna informatika (Vehovar, 2006), 社会情報学 (Kurosu, 2010) and others.

Theoretically oriented papers on social informatics

We welcome the perspectives of scholars (researchers, academics) from different regions on social informatics and its historical roots, current research and issues, future directions, methodological approaches and regional institutionalization. **We particularly encourage authors to use regional (non-English) literature when they describe their regional approach or school of thought** (does not apply to English speaking regions).

Empirically oriented papers relevant to social informatics

We prefer a broad international view of social informatics research that connects, at an interdisciplinary level, informatics (especially computer and information science and information systems) and the social sciences. Therefore, suitable topics for empirically oriented manuscripts include, but are not limited to, following:

- ambient intelligent systems
- cyberculture
- dynamics of social collaborative systems and collective intelligence
- e-research and e-science(s)
- economic, cultural, and organizational dimensions of computerization
- health informatics
- human-computer interaction
- ICT in education
- information ethics
- information processes and exchanges in organizations and society
- information society
- internet communication and media
- impact of IoT on social life
- mining big social data
- opinion mining and social media analytics
- social applications of the semantic Web
- social changes (on the background of ICT)
- social media impact
- sociotechnical approaches in research
- sustainable development of information society
- systems approach to sociotechnical relationships
- virtual communities

We encourage authors to use social informatics literature as a theoretical basis or starting-point for their research or perspective. The References section of this Call for papers provides a list of recommended conceptually focused sources.

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