

Social, Political, and Economic Changes

The development and consolidation of the network society have altered and continue to reshape numerous facets of our societies, where key social, political, and economic trends intersect with the processes of hyper-digitalization.

In the social sphere, the primary focus is on globally relevant issues such as the 'datafication' of everyday life, poverty, socio-economic development, and demographic shifts towards aging. Additionally, attention is directed towards the practices and applications associated with eHealth by citizens and professionals in the field.

In the political realm, the emphasis lies on the impact on governance at various levels, from local to global, and how these dynamics interact with traditional topics in political systems. It encompasses technopolitics, democratic innovation, and digital democracy, with interest in various forms of participation, deliberation, and citizen-sourcing facilitated by online platforms. Furthermore, there is a focus on the evolution of networked social movements. The first axis in the economic domain explores collaborative economics, feminist economics, and the economy of the common good linked to social innovation and collaborative economics. Simultaneously, the second axis scrutinizes co-creation and innovation policies in emerging areas, along with conflicts and mobilizations associated with the regulation of socio-economic innovations.

Lastly, in the methodological domain, a critical reflection is proposed on methodological innovations associated with datafication, considering both the accompanying implementation policies and their governance. It includes considerations related to concepts such as 'data justice.' In addition to quantitative and qualitative techniques, methodologies associated with data justice will be employed.

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