Aims and Scope

The workshop is focused on attracting Early-Career Researchers (PhD Students, Postdoctoral Researchers) in the field of Digital Sociology willing to discuss their Work in Progress (WIP) in an academic environment to improve their work for publication. This virtual workshop is the first conference organized by the Digital Sociology Thematic Group (TG10), working under the International Sociological Association (ISA).

Every submitted paper will have two discussants: a peer (participant in the workshop) and a senior researcher. After reading the work, the discussants will share their comments about the piece and foster a dialogue with the author, aiming to improve the quality of the work regarding theoretical suggestions, stylistic improvements, missing references, methodological/analytical proposals, etc.

Are you an Early-Stage Researcher (Ph.D. Student, Postdoc)? Are you preparing a paper in the field of Digital Sociology and would like to get feedback on how to improve it? This workshop offers you a great opportunity to discuss your ideas with internationally recognized researchers with wide experience in the field, who also serve as reviewers and academic editors for journals and publishing houses. Send us a final draft of your paper and we will discuss it in a workshop with other peers, helping you to improve your paper and to extend your network.

Topics to be submitted are related to the discipline of Digital Sociology, and may include but are not limited to sociological analysis of: big data, algorithms, AI, social datafication, data relocation, hate speech disinformation, digital transformations, digital inequalities, digital divides, socio-material perspectives of information and communication technologies, digitization of well-being, digital social capital or digital happiness.

How much does it cost? For those who are already members of the TG10 Digital Sociology, participation is out of cost. For those who are not, you can join the TG10 (see link: 10 USD for students up to Ph.D. and members residing in countries classified in category B and C and 20 USD for the rest, for a period of 4 years) and join the community.

What will you get? Feedback on your paper, dialogue with experts and peers, networking, and advice on where to publish your work. We are working on the possibility to invite the best papers to a special issue with the journals First Monday or Frontiers in Sociology, with the option to fund the publishing costs of 3 papers.

What do we ask in return? Add in your final publication an acknowledgment to the WIP Virtual Workshop of the TG10 Digital Sociology, and send us the published paper, so we can distribute it in our newsletter and social media and contribute to the exposure of your paper.

Call for Participants

- Submission of Extended Abstracts of 500-750 words: 15 March 2022
- Notifications to authors: 15 April 2022
- Submission of an advanced draft of the full paper, of maximum 8,000 words: 1 June 2022 23:59h (Hawaiian Time).

NB: the workshop reviewers will not comment on early drafts of full papers.