Call for papers (CfP) - Homo Virtualis - Investigating the societal impact of coronavirus pandemic: Implications for the global digital future

This is an urgent CfP for the online international peer-reviewed journal *Homo Virtualis* ([https://ejournals.epublishing.ekt.gr/index.php/homvir](https://ejournals.epublishing.ekt.gr/index.php/homvir)). The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is causing vast human suffering all around the world, but also triggers an online revolution with new opportunities, risks and dangers. The latter is calling digital sovereignty and digital human rights into question, while emergency restrictions on movement, information and privacy arguably work against vibrant civil society organization and action. In this context, issues of privacy, security, transparency, accountability, participation and freedom are all radically reenergised and revisited. What kind of multilateral responses and policy frameworks do we need in order to defend truth, liberal democracy, and fundamental cultural and societal values in such turbulent times? How does this unprecedented situation reshapes governance, politics and the media landscape globally? Which are the implications for work and the use technology? Are there opportunities for boosting global cooperation and collective intelligence, as well as for building a more inclusive society and sustainable economy in the new digital age?

This special issue calls for concise papers/reflections (5,000 words max.) that address the societal impact of coronavirus pandemic and elaborate on relevant implications for the global digital future. It welcomes quality theoretical contributions, reviews and original articles, including quantitative or qualitative studies, case studies, or critical reviews, dealing with the multiple aspects of the topic. Soundly empirically-based studies will be emphasised although high quality scholarly essays are also welcome. Authors should indicate that they wish the manuscript to be reviewed for inclusion in the special issue. All papers will be peer reviewed; they should strictly adhere to authors guidelines: [https://ejournals.epublishing.ekt.gr/index.php/homvir/about/submissions#authorGuidelines](https://ejournals.epublishing.ekt.gr/index.php/homvir/about/submissions#authorGuidelines)

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