



Call for Papers

Topical Collection

“The Future of Work”

The *European Journal of Futures Research* (EJFR) invites scholars to submit articles in the topical collection **“The Future of Work”**.

The way we work changed ever since. But recently the increasingly shorter cycles of change in business require a much faster adaption of people to new environments. The way people communicate, collaborate and work is constantly reshaping itself. Technological innovations in the field of ICT and manufacturing as well as social developments led to a workplace revolution that already did and prospectively will dramatically change organisational structures and the roles employees play in them. In the recently heated debates scientists, politicians and journalists among others speculated a lot about the impact of current and future technology development, but they rarely take into account a broader and systematic perspective on uncertainties, alternative developments and implications for today’s policies and actions.

This call therefore asks for papers which analyse the developments and changes in work and work-related areas as well as their social and political implications, e.g. changing expectations and needs, regulatory policies and questions concerning intergenerational justice. Furthermore we welcome papers which focus on normative futures, describing and analysing the future of work as an opportunity for social change in broader contexts, e.g. the role of women in society, work-life-balance, personal development, morals and values, new forms of employment, remuneration and income as well as unemployment.

We therefore welcome papers on the above-mentioned topics and future dimensions, such as:

- Definitions, analyses and long-term consequences of societal and cultural shifts
- Identification and analyses of emerging issues and potential disruptions
- Visions and scenarios
- Identification and analyses of eligible policies

- Methodological approaches (especially subaltern perspectives)

In the EJFR we want to explore these issues by going beyond conventional prognoses, trend descriptions and mainstream foresight approaches. We are therefore delighted to invite you to take part in our Call for Papers. Papers should adhere to conventional scientific standards and could focus on theoretical, methodological as well practical issues illustrated from concrete projects at regional, national and transnational level. However, topics and issues discussed should be relevant to European and international readers. Abstracts should be between 100 and 150 words and should list keywords.

Please note: Contributions to the EJFR must be in English and should not exceed 7,000 words including references. We appreciate manuscripts that are professionally proofread. All articles will be subject to double-blind peer review.

Timeline:

Abstracts are welcome as from now until 15 May 2016 at the latest.

31 July 2016: Papers due

31 August 2016: Notification of results of peer review

30 September 2016: Revised papers due

For further information about the “Aims and Scope” of the EJFR as well as for the “Instructions for Authors” please visit our website: <http://www.springer.com/40309>.

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