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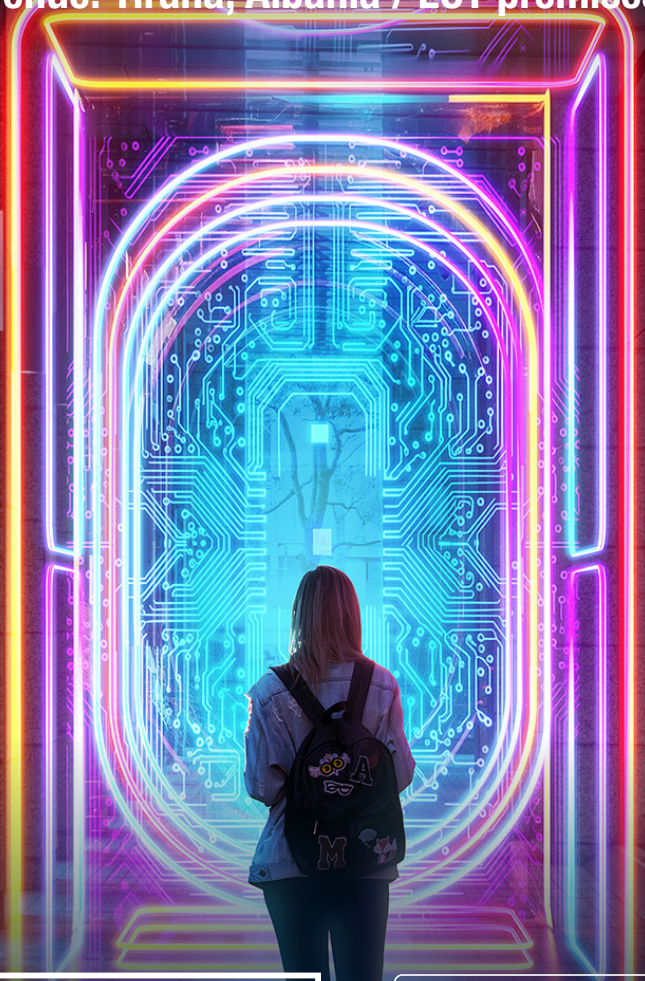

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LIVING IN A TECHNOLOGICAL ERA

The Eleventh International Conference "Albanian Studies Days" is calling for paper submissions focusing on the topics related to **LIVING IN A TECHNOLOGICAL ERA.**

The "Living in a Technological Era" conference is a dynamic intellectual forum fostering discussions on the profound impact of technology on contemporary society. Exploring an array of topics, the conference invites scholars, researchers, and practitioners to explore the various aspects of our existence shaped by technology. Participants are encouraged to present papers that examine the societal, economic, and cultural implications of rapid technological advancements. From artificial intelligence and cybersecurity to digital ethics, the conference embraces diverse perspectives on the challenges and opportunities arising from our tech-centric world. Emphasis is placed on understanding the intersection of technology with daily life, encompassing its effects on education, healthcare, and social dynamics.

In our rapidly evolving technological landscape, it is essential to gather insights from multidisciplinary perspectives to understand and address the complex challenges and opportunities presented by the digital age.

The aim of this conference is to get better insight and exchange ideas and experiences, and to map future research directions in a broader context.

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BRIEF GUIDE TO ALBANIAN STUDIES DAYS

WHY ASD?

Albanian Studies Days is a series of scientific conferences designed with a "peer review" system and focused on discussions about important issues related to Albanian society and region, ranging from economy, history, media, legal system, political institutions, public policies, and on to development of education and its impact on social, human, and economic development.

PARTICIPANTS

a. Foreign researchers whose research and scientific studies focus on Albania, the region and EU.
b. Albanian professors, who have provided their contribution to Western universities. since 1990s or earlier, whose work still focuses on Albania and the region.
c. Foreign and Albanian PhD candidates whose research is focused on Albania and the region.
d. ASD is the key scientific activity for EUT academic staff.

TIME

This event takes place annually in April and it is divided into five panels related to respective EUT Faculties and relevant topics approved by the conference scientific committee.

WELCOME TO ALBANIAN STUDIES DAYS!

CONFERENCE PANELS AND DISCUSSION THEMES

PANEL I
TECHNOLOGICAL TRANSFORMATION AND ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY

Technological transformation is reshaping global economies, fostering innovation, and driving sustainable development. The integration of advanced technologies, such as artificial intelligence, blockchain, and renewable energy solutions, is revolutionizing traditional industries and creating new economic paradigms. This shift not only enhances efficiency but also addresses environmental challenges, promoting eco-friendly practices. As businesses embrace automation and digitization, productivity soars, fostering economic sustainability. Moreover, technology-driven connectivity facilitates global collaboration and trade, unlocking new avenues for growth. However, challenges like job displacement and ethical considerations must be navigated for a balanced transformation. Ultimately, leveraging technology for economic sustainability is pivotal in creating resilient societies.

PAPERS IN THIS PANEL SHOULD BE FOCUSED, BUT NOT LIMITED, ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Impact of IoT on Sustainable Supply Chain Management
- Sustainable Transportation through Technological Advancements
- Green Technologies for Sustainable Economic Development
- Technological Innovations and Economic Sustainability
- The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Business Processes
- Technological innovation and circular economy
- Economic Impacts of Automation and Robotics in Manufacturing
- Job Displacement in Traditional Industries vs. Emerging Sectors
- The Gig Economy: Adaptive Employment in a Tech-Driven World
- The Intersection of Economic Sustainability and Tech-Induced Unemployment
- The Transition to a Digital Economy and Its Economic Effects
- Innovations in Economic Models to Address Tech-Driven Job Displacement
- Global Economic Competition in the Age of Tech Innovation

PANEL II
TECH FRONTIERS: NAVIGATING THE NEW PARADIGM IN LAW, POLITICS, AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The advancements in technology, such as artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and digital communication have impacted every single aspect of our lives. This conference seeks to uncover and discuss the broad and evolving impacts of technology in legal frameworks and global political dynamics in the digital age. It delves into the legal implications of advanced tech, examining issues such as data privacy, intellectual property, and regulatory frameworks. In the political sphere, it explores the influence of technology on governance, electoral processes, and political communication. On the international stage, the discourse likely covers topics such as cyber warfare, digital diplomacy, and the impact of tech on global cooperation or conflicts.

PAPERS IN THIS PANEL SHOULD BE FOCUSED, BUT NOT LIMITED, ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Digital Privacy and Data Protection Laws.
- Cross-Border Jurisdiction
- Cybersecurity and State Sovereignty
- Artificial Intelligence and Ethics in Governance
- Social Media, Misinformation, and Democracy
- Tech Giants and Global Regulations
- Digital Diplomacy and International Communications
- The Digital Divide and International Development
- Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property Rights
- The Future of Work and Global Labor Markets

PANEL III
THE FUTURE OF LEARNING, INFORMATION, AND KNOWLEDGE IN A DIGITAL AGE

This conference panel aims at bringing together researchers and experts from various disciplines to explore the transformative impact of digital technology on learning, information, media literacy and knowledge acquisition. Authors are invited to deliberate on the ethical implications of digital learning platforms and the importance of digital well-being, misinformation, and disinformation, as well as the need for regulations and policies to tackle the digital inequalities, strategies to promote responsible online behaviour, digital mindfulness, and the balance between screen time and offline activities. As the digital age continues to evolve, it is crucial to collaborate, adapt, and adopt best practices to shape a future where learning, information, and knowledge are accessible, equitable, and empowering for all.

PAPERS IN THIS PANEL SHOULD BE FOCUSED, BUT NOT LIMITED, ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Transformative Role of Digital Technology in Education: the potential of digital technology to reshape traditional learning methods and pedagogical approaches.
- The importance of digital literacy to navigate the vast online information landscape efficiently.
- The significance of leveraging big data and AI for educational purposes.
- How data analytics and machine learning algorithms can facilitate a deeper understanding of learners
- Open educational resources and open online courses: online platforms as tools to bridge knowledge gaps and remove geographical barriers.
- Ethical Considerations and Digital Well-being
- Misinformation, disinformation, and digital inequalities
- Cultural identities in the digital age and the Region of the Western Balkans and Albania
- Effective Communication Technologies for Public Institutions
- Challenges and new digital perspectives for the educational systems
- Digital identities and new professional practices in communication, education, sports, and arts

PANEL IV
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) AND INNOVATION

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has emerged as a transformative force in our world. It has impacted every aspect of our lives, revolutionized industries, reshaped economies and accelerated the innovation pace. AI and innovation have a symbiotic relationship, generating a dynamic and continuous evolving landscape of opportunities and challenges. AI is transforming the way diseases are diagnosed, predict patient outcomes, and develop treatment plans, by analyzing vast amounts of data to detect patterns and make predictions. AI has also revolutionized transportation through autonomous vehicles. AI also plays a substantial role in fostering innovation in the financial sector by detecting fraudulent activities, assessing credit risk, and optimizing investment portfolios. However, the relationship between AI and innovation has many challenges. Ethical concerns, data privacy issues, and the potential for job displacement are among the main considerations.

PAPERS IN THIS PANEL SHOULD BE FOCUSED, BUT NOT LIMITED, ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Predictive Analytics in Marketing
- Fraud Detection in Finance
- Chatbots for Customer Interaction
- AI and Human Rights
- AI for Disease Diagnosis
- Genomic Data Analysis
- AI in Network Security
- Security Automation with AI
- Adaptive Learning Platforms
- AI-based Learning Analytics
- Intelligent Tutoring Systems
- Automated Grading and Assessment
- IoT and Machine Learning Integration
- AI Governance Models
- Lifelong Learning in AI Systems
- AI-based Products and Services
- Challenges in AI Entrepreneurship
- Success Stories of AI Startups
- AI and Emotional Intelligence
- Job Reskilling in the Age of Automation

PANEL V
FUTURE TRENDS AND THE IMPACT OF TECHNOLOGY IN HEALTHCARE

Emerging technology is continuously transforming the healthcare industry. Remote consultations and monitoring, minimally invasive procedures, digitalization of health records and sharing between clinicians, telemedicine, artificial intelligence and robots, neurotechnology, virtual reality in mental health, orthopedic implants, eHealth apps and social media health communities have helped people to receive improved health care and convenient experiences. In this panel we encourage research and discussion of the future trends in healthcare and embracing the changes and challenges presented to human-centered healthcare approach.

PAPERS IN THIS PANEL SHOULD BE FOCUSED,
BUT NOT LIMITED, ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Recent advancements in medical technologies (all medical disciplines)
- Clinical efficiency
- Remote consultations and monitoring
- Preventive Medicine
- Ethical issues and challenges faced by technological advancements in healthcare.
- Digital Health and MedTech
- Virtual reality
- Health care delivery and social services

GENERAL RULES
OF THE CONFERENCE

- Paper abstracts 300 words shall be submitted through the email address: dssh@uet.edu.al clearly indicating the panel in which the presentation shall be delivered.
- A double-blind peer review.
- An applicant shall not submit more than two papers as author and/or co-author.
- Conference language: English

DEADLINES

- Abstract Submission Deadline: 12 January 2024
- Notification of Abstract Acceptance: 19 January 2024
- Paper Submission: 10 March 2024
- Notification of Paper Acceptance: 20 March 2024
- Final paper submission for publication: 31 May 2024

TECHNICAL STANDARDS OF THE PAPERS

- Paper shall be between 5,000-7000 words; Times New Roman, 12; in English language; APA referencing style.

These deadlines are final and failure to comply remains responsibility of the interested participants.