Mini Track on Advancing Social Innovation

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In this day and age, innovation is a buzz word and everyone feels the effects, due to modern technologies, new solutions or improved processes. However creating innovation is a complex task and requires sustainable, long term planning in order to meet the needs of the current and future generation. Therefore social innovation is a vital task of the for-profit and non-profit organizations, which requires to take into consideration the necessity of the society, to focus on the locally occurring problems, the environmental possibilities and monitor the global phenomenon.

In this multifaceted process, there are different barriers and supporting factors from the existing organisational culture, the role of the leader, the differences among the collaborating partners, and the available competencies to the legal, financial and economical aspects. Consequently, advancing social innovation is an essential but complicated duty.

Therefore, the purpose of the social innovation mini track to attract theoretical and practical research areas, to gain knowledge, to create place for active discussion, to foster collaboration and support the development of social innovation solutions.

Suggested topics include but are not limited to:

- The impact of social innovation
- The role of knowledge management in social innovation processes
- Innovation competencies for sustainable social solution
- Sustaining an innovative organizational culture

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Submission details

In the first instance a 300 word abstract is required, to be received by 13 February 2024.

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