Call for Papers

------- Special Section on Human Communication VI -------

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Human Communication Studies focus on the role played by Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) in human communication processes. It is committed to improving the theory and methodology concerning the adoption, use, applications, effects, and the psychological, social, and policy implications of ICTs. Areas of research include computer-mediated communication, new media, social media, augmented and virtual reality, assistive technology, technology studies, big data, crowdsourcing, privacy, digital news, crisis, and other technologically mediated social interaction and networking at all levels of analysis (interpersonal, interpersonal, group, organizational, national, and international). The objective of this special section is to publish and overview recent progress in the interdisciplinary area of human communication. We call for papers that make an innovative and original contribution to our understanding of ICTs, with a focus on the technology itself within the context of human communication. But the topics are not limited to this domain. The related interests are highly welcomed. All submitted papers are subjected to the same review processes as those papers accepted for publication in the regular issues.

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  - Human information processing
  - Media experience and virtual environment
  - Well-being information technology
  - Human probe
  - Informatics science on cognition and behaviors
  - Verbal and nonverbal communication
  - Attractiveness computing
  - Comic Computing
  - Language as Real-time Communication

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