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INVITATION – CALL FOR PAPERS & PANEL PROPOSALS – PRACTICAL DETAILS

On behalf of the Rii Forum 2023 Chairs, the Rii Forum 2023 Steering Committee and the Rii Forum 2023 Academic Committee, it is our pleasure to invite you to the Rii Forum 2023. This concept note entails the most important information pertaining to the conference. Further details may be found at the conference website at https://riiforum.org

Rii Forum 2023 Innovation 5.0.: Navigating shocks and crises in uncertain times **Technology, Business, Society**

The Research and Innovation Forum (Rii Forum) is an annual conference that brings together researchers, academics, and practitioners in conceptually sound inter- and multi-disciplinary, empirically driven debate on key issues influencing the dynamics of social interaction today. Technology, innovation, and education, as well as issues and topics located at their intersection, define the key dimensions of all discussions held during the Rii Forum. In continuously fragile international and domestic contexts, characterized by shocks, crises, and uncertainty, the Rii Forum 2023 invites contributions addressing the multifaceted question of how to navigate these shocks, crises and uncertainty and deliver value to our society.

The major theme of the Rii Forum 2023 is "Navigating shocks and crises in uncertain times -Technology, Business, Society". The enduring aftershocks of the Covid-19 pandemic, the war in Ukraine, the resulting dramatic increases in energy prices coupled with concerns for a global food crisis, and their corollaries make the environment in which public and private sector organizations and related stakeholders operate extremely fragile and unpredictable. At the same time, advances in sophisticated information and communication technology (ICT) proliferate. The challenge is threefold: (i) to make advances in ICT useful and usable across levels and domains, especially in view of navigating shocks and crises of all kinds; by so doing (ii) to rethink the traditional innovation paradigm and highlight the value added of Industry 5.0. and Innovation 5.0; (iii) to suggest ways of acting upon it to the benefit of society at large. The objective of the Rii Forum 2023 is to encourage evidence-based conceptually sound and conversation on these complex topics.



Focus on ICT and beyond

Advances in sophisticated ICT offer ways of bypassing and mitigating some of the ramifications of shocks and crises that mar our society today. Artificial intelligence (AI), big data, cognitive computing, cloud computing, blockchain, the internet of things (IoT), the internet of bodies (IoB), advances in quantum computing, quantum technologies, cognitive engineering, social networking sites, 5G, and others equip us with a new set of tools, techniques and approaches by which to view, interpret, explain, and respond to the plethora of challenges that our societies face today. However, ICT remains but one factor that shapes contemporary affairs. A variety of other factors weigh in the equation of contemporary society and its ability to adapt and respond to change amidst uncertainty and ambiguity. It is imperative that the community recognizes research this broad perspective of ICT and its role in today's world. Considering that the individual, the human $(\alpha \nu \vartheta \rho \omega \pi o \varsigma)$ should be placed at the center of this equation, the Industry 5.0. and Innovation 5.0. paradigms may be a way of doing just that. The Rii Forum 2023 seeks to stir a debate on this possibility.

Emphasis on Innovation 5.0

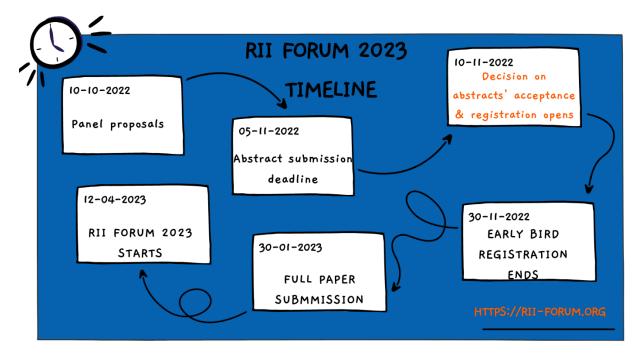
The Rii Forum 2023 seeks to encourage debate on ways of leveraging digital technology to navigate shocks and crises as they unfold amidst uncertainty at the macro-, mezzo-, and micro-levels. This includes community and organizations (public, private, voluntary). It also includes approaches and strategies implemented in domains such as education, public policy, economic policy, security and defense, management, and, for instance, the medicine and healthcare cluster. An equally important aspect of the discussion on digital technology in connection with shocks and crises comprises the question of its local, regional, international and global implications, including the North-South Divide and South-South relations. While digital transformation is a powerful term to account for the impact of ICT on several of these domains, there is much more to it. The Rii Forum 2023 seeks to identify and explore this yet unclaimed area of research. To this end, six major topic areas are placed in the spotlight of the Rii Forum 2023.

For details go here: https://rii-forum.org



TIMELINE & REGISTRATION

The details of the procedure have been outlined on the conference website. Please, check the infographics beneath for a quick insight. \rightarrow Follow this link to check the participation fees: https://rii-forum.org/registration-participation-fees/



PUBLICATIONS

All papers presented at Rii Forum 2023, subject to a stringent double-blind peer review process, will be published in the Rii Forum 2023 proceedings; published by Springer, indexed in Scopus and Web of Science (WoS). Please, check the publisher's website for details of the previous Rii Forum proceedings.

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Please, be advised that the Rii Forum delegates are also invited to join several adjacent research projects, which include book projects and invitations to selected journals. Regular review process applies, and rules of academic integrity are abided by.

CONTACT

Should you require any additional information, please, check the Rii Forum 2023 website at <u>https://rii-forum.org</u>

You are also encouraged to contact the administrative support team at info@rii-forum.org

Finally, you also encouarged to contact the Rii Forum 2023 Chairs, Profs Anna Visvizi, Orlando Troisi & Vincenzo Corvello at info@rii-forum.org