

Editorial: Transforming Governance and Society through Digitalization, Public Finance, and Artificial Intelligence

This issue of Economics, Management and Innovation (EMI) presents three diverse yet interrelated papers that reflect the key transformations facing modern societies: the advancement of digitalization, the sustainability of public finance in sport, and the regulatory implications of artificial intelligence. Though distinct in scope, each contribution highlights the need for interdisciplinary approaches to understanding and managing systemic change.

The first paper, Digitalization of the Czech Economy in the Context of Economic Development by Ondřej Dvouletý and David A. Procházka, explores how digitalization correlates with GDP per capita, employment, and labor productivity in the Czech Republic. Through statistical analysis of indicators such as DESI and ICT workforce data, the authors identify both progress and persistent challenges. A particular emphasis is placed on the shortage of IT professionals and the need to better utilize digital tools within Czech enterprises.

In the second paper, Sustainable Management and Responsible Financing of Sport, Hana Březinová and Eva Kostiková assess the evolution of sports funding in the Czech Republic, particularly the role of the National Sports Agency. Their findings expose inefficiencies in public resource allocation and call for a more transparent, multi-source funding model. The paper also connects sport to broader policy goals, including youth development, health promotion, and social inclusion.

The third contribution is a review of the monograph Artificial Intelligence and Law, edited by B. Štědroň, R. Jašek, M. Svítek and colleagues, and reviewed by Jiří Zmatlík. The book is praised for its interdisciplinary approach, covering legal frameworks, ethical concerns, and strategic foresight related to AI. Topics such as algorithmic bias, regulatory complexity, and the implications of quantum computing are critically discussed, offering valuable insights for both scholars and practitioners.

Together, these papers underscore the importance of connecting digital innovation, public policy, and legal frameworks in ways that are not only economically efficient but also socially responsible. We trust that EMI readers will find this issue a timely and thought-provoking contribution to ongoing academic and professional discourse.

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