



## Digitalization as a Driving Force for Occupational Safety

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Digitalization offers a range of new options for innovative developments in today's working environment. The changes that come with the advances in digital technologies are particularly evident in the industrial sector. Artificial intelligence, advanced robotics, big data, interconnectivity, real-time communication, virtual and augmented reality, remote monitoring and remote process control are defining for the new era called Industry 4.0. The rapidness of these developments and the changes that they bring about for the work of employees present new challenges for occupational safety and health.

This Special Issue focuses on new technologies in the field of occupational safety and health. Topics of interest include—but are not limited to

- assistant systems in machinery
- virtual reality in risk assessment
- augmented reality in process monitoring
- artificial intelligence in occupational safety and health
- collaborative robotics
- smart PPE
- human factors





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