



## Connecting Older Adults to the Digital World

Guest Editors:

### Dr. Bernardo Figueiredo

School of Economics, Finance and Marketing, College of Business, RMIT University, P.O. Box 2476, Melbourne, VIC 3001, Australia

### Dr. Jacob Sheahan

Institute of Design Informatics, Edinburgh College of Art, The University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh EH8 9BT, UK

Deadline for manuscript submissions:

**closed (31 December 2024)**

### Message from the Guest Editors

The growing population of senior citizens presents both a social phenomenon and a challenge for our societies, with technological advancements playing a pivotal role in connecting and enhancing the lives of older adults in various aspects. However, within current discussions surrounding technology, the human element is often overshadowed. Seniors are sometimes perceived as malfunctioning machines, with their limitations viewed as challenges to be overcome through technological solutions. To address this issue, new perspectives are necessary, prioritizing the human experience. This shift in perspective allows us to acknowledge the complexities of the relationship between humans and technology, and to adapt technological advancements to better suit the needs of the older population. It is also important to incorporate emerging perspectives looking into digital inclusion and design, cultural models of ageing and technology, digital inclusion, media practices, ageing in place and data, technology paradoxes, feminist perspectives on care regarding relationality and reciprocity and more broadly, the mutual shaping of ageing and technology.

**Abstract Submission Deadline:** 1 Mar 2024





an Open Access Journal by MDPI

## Editor-in-Chief

### **Prof. Dr. Daniel McCarthy**

Department of Sociology,  
University of Surrey, Guildford  
GU2 7XH, UK

## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

*Social Sciences* is an international, open access, peer-reviewed journal publishing the latest research across all disciplines of the social sciences, including anthropology, economics, law, linguistics, education, geography, history, political science, psychology, sociology, and other related areas. The journal is especially interested in interdisciplinary research, and aims to encourage creative, innovative, and critical reflections across social science disciplines. The journal welcomes conventional length articles, shorter Research Notes or articles, as well as Special Issue submissions, as long as they meet the journal's standards of quality and originality.

## Author Benefits

**Open Access:** free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

**High visibility:** indexed within Scopus, ESCI (Web of Science), RePEc, and other databases.

**Journal Rank:** JCR - Q2 (Social Sciences, Interdisciplinary) / CiteScore - Q2 (General Social Sciences)

## Contact Us

---

*Social Sciences* Editorial Office  
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5  
4052 Basel, Switzerland

Tel: +41 61 683 77 34  
[www.mdpi.com](http://www.mdpi.com)

[mdpi.com/journal/socsci](http://mdpi.com/journal/socsci)  
[socsci@mdpi.com](mailto:socsci@mdpi.com)  
[X@SocSci\\_MDPI](https://twitter.com/SocSci_MDPI)