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Digital Transformation; Digital Transition; Digital Inclusion; AI; Trustworthy AI; Resilience; Digital Technologies; Digital Law; Complex Socio-Technical Systems and Problems.

Main Research Objective

Interdisciplinary exploration and explanation of the complex dynamics determining inclusion and exclusion of individuals, groups, and organizations in increasingly digitalized societies, to support the development of roadmaps towards a digital transition that is not only inclusive, but also safe, and sustainable.

Main Research Outcome

Increasing awareness of the various socio-technical challenges rising from different forms of digital exclusion of individuals, groups and organizations in present and future societies undergoing a digital transition. Emphasis is given to the context of Artificial Intelligence (AI) as a disruptive, enabling technology.

Identification and explanation of less understood, yet critical issues in digital inclusion, such as for example those arising from emergent technologies and behaviours.

Deriving interdisciplinary principles and frameworks to aid the development of robust knowledge-based policies and practices at national and European level.

These expected outcomes will be actively disseminated through international publications in relevant international journals and international and national conferences. The dissemination and impact strategy also include the development of white papers and expert reports supporting policy and regulations in the area at national and European levels. To foster public awareness, the cluster also aims at organizing and delivering workshops and clinics on topics relevant to its objective targeting a broad audience.

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