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ICT for Development in Ibero-America

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PURPOSE OF THE SPECIAL ISSUE

Ibero America is a vast region that spans two continents and is home of close to 10% of the world population. Established in the 16th century, Latin America has a long history of cultural connections with Portugal and Spain. The Latin American region is immensely rich in natural resources, yet it has the world's most unequal wealth distribution (de Ferranti, Perry, Ferreira & Walton, 2004). A sizable portion of its inhabitants has limited or no access at all to health care and education services. Portugal and Spain, while being part of the countries with very high human development indexes, lag behind most of their European neighbours (UNDP, 2013) and have been severely affected by the euro crisis since early 2009.

It is against this background that governments, international donors and local non-governmental organisations have implemented a number of information and communication technology (ICT) initiatives aiming at increasing economic development, enhancing social opportunities and expanding political liberties on both sides of the Atlantic. This special issue calls for theoretical and practical contributions on how access to relevant information and the provision of critical services using ICT tools influence people's living conditions.

THEMES AND TOPICS

This special issue welcomes theoretical and empirical submissions with a focus on the Ibero-American region in the following areas (but not limited to):

• Unequal Access to ICT	• Local identities
• Conceptual frameworks	• Methodological approaches to ICT4D
• Diffusion and adoption of IT	• Open business models and ICT4D
• Educational applications	• Policy issues and legal frameworks
• Ethical aspects of ICT4D	• Political implications of ICT4D
• Health informatics	• Social innovations
• ICT and micro-entrepreneurship	• Social movements
• ICT for economic development	• Stakeholders engagement
• ICT4D and social inclusion	• Urban issues and ICT
• ICT4D applications	• Telecentres

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