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T 06 \_ 12 - ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOR IN A DIGITAL ECOSYSTEM: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

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### Description

The number of mobile devices has exceeded the world's population and is forecasted to reach 1.5 devices per person in 2019 (Cisco 2015). According to the OECD (2012), by 2020 over 50 billion of potentially interconnected devices are estimated to populate the 'infosphere' (Floridi 2010). The emergence of new integrated forms of ubiquitous computing devices (e.g. smart phones, tablets, 'phablets', smart TVs and smart-watches), alongside advances in cloud computing and the proliferation of fluid multi-device platforms (e.g. iOS, Android and Windows 8) are enabling the rise of Ubiquitous Media Systems (Carillo et al. 2014; Nielsen 2013; Sorensen 2011; Stafford et al. 2010). This new and complex form of information systems encapsulates various functions and provides fluid information access across a variety of channels. This combination of media convergence and ubiquitous environments not only gives rise to a highly complex digital ecosystem, but also represents a remarkable shift in the way people as well as organizations interact and behave.

By gradually blurring physical, social and temporal boundaries, ubiquitous media systems not only allow businesses to deliver products and services through a multitude of interconnected channels, but also radically transform collaboration and cooperation in organizations. As information access becomes fully ubiquitous and the utilitarian, as well as hedonic functionalities of those devices increase, a growing number of companies have started digital transformation programs in order to seize the opportunity offered by these new systems (Vargo and Lusch 2008). However, the emergence of fluid and evolving techno-ecosystems poses important challenges and opportunities for academics and practitioners: security, data confidentiality, flexible workplace, technostress are some of the issues that merit further attention.

The goal of this track is to provide a forum to discuss the challenges and opportunities of ubiquitous digital ecosystems for organizational behavior research. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Implications of digital ecosystems in terms of individual behavior and social interactions in organizational settings (in public or private sectors)
- Organizational, social, and ethical issues arising with this new digital ecosystem (and relevant public and private policies).
   For instance, how managers deal with the blurring boundaries of the workplace, the role of cultural differences, the lack of digital competence, etc.
- How organizations leverage co-production and co-creation in designing and delivering services
- The digital transformation of organizations: the role of this new digital ecosystem in the evolution of organizational context
- The adoption of ubiquitous media systems at individual and/or group levels and how it affects cooperation
- The design of ubiquitous media systems to take into account managerial needs (in terms of communication, collaboration, decision making, etc.)

#### Important dates

Deadline for paper submission: 12 January 2016 (2 pm Belgian time)

Notification of acceptance: 15 March 2016
Early birds registration deadline: 1 April 2016
Authors' registration deadline: 12 April 2016
Conference: 1 – 4 June 2016

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- 7. Number all of the pages of the paper.
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