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CALL FOR PAPERS

for a special issue on: “Social innovation in Social enterprises: What is going on?”

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In recent years, the topic of social innovation has attracted considerable attention from scholars in various disciplines, such as economics (Pol and Ville, 2009), management (Cajaiba-Santana, 2014), sociology (Olsson and Galaz, 2012), and psychology (Bulut, Eren and Halac, 2013). These different approaches led to an equally varied number of definitions, perspectives, and frameworks of analysis (Gallouj and Djellal, 2010; Nicholls and Murdock, 2012; Moulart et al., 2013). One of these is related to social enterprise studies, explained as organizations that combine entrepreneurial dynamics to provide services or goods with a primary objective to meet social needs (Borzaga and Defourny, 2001). Social enterprises (SEs) have significant potential for social innovation. It is now established that social innovation and social enterprise are two tightly interconnected concepts (Harrisson, Klein and Browne, 2010; Defourny and Nyssens, 2013). However, although much is known about the conditions of the emergence of social innovation within the SE context, the main changes undergone by social enterprises due to social innovation are still understudied. The aim of this call is to welcome articles dealing with the subject of the effects of social innovation on different aspects of the social enterprise organisation.

We are particularly interested in articles that tackle Schumpeter’s main categories of innovation and explore their effects from the perspective of the SE. More specifically, we enquire under what conditions are new service or goods, new methods of production (like organizational models or models of accountability), new sources of financing, new collaboration between corporations and social enterprises or new models of governance implemented; what are their internal organizational effects; what kind of influence they exert on the main stakeholders of the SE (employees, beneficiaries etc.). We are also interested in articles that examine if, and how, social innovations are associated with (progressive) work transformation or better (gender/ethnic/social) group relations in the workplace. For this forthcoming special issue of JEOD we invite theoretical, methodological and empirical contributions, which draw on different research streams and disciplines. Methodologically, we welcome qualitative, quantitative, multi-method and mixed-methods research approaches dealing with social innovation in social enterprises.

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Submission Procedure

- Submissions will undergo a double blind, peer review process. Full manuscripts shall be submitted via the journal website at: <http://www.edmgr.com/jeod>. Please indicate that you are submitting for the “Social innovation in Social enterprises” issue. Information on the submission process and formatting requirements are available at <http://www.euricse.eu/jeod-for-authors/>
- Deadline for submissions of full paper is **13 November 2017** and the publication of the special issue is intend for **July 2018**.
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