

# Silver Economy: challenges and opportunities for an aging world

# **SPECIAL ISSUE**

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Deadlines	
Submission of full papers	<b>15 December 2021</b>
Notification of peer review results	15 April 2022
Submission of revised papers	10 July 2022
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## Scope of the special issue

Keywords: silver economy, seniors, older people, elderly, population aging, active ageing, healthy aging, inclusion, social innovation, technology

#### **Topics**

This special issue will include emerging themes related to the opportunities and challenges of the Silver Economy according to a management perspective. Silver Economy refers to "the economic activities related to production, consumption and trade of goods and services relevant for older people" (European Union, 2018, p. 6). Population aging is a global phenomenon that has strong implications for the civil society, governments, organizations, public service providers and, last but not least, businesses. In line with the United Nations' 2030 Agenda, there is a need for more research-based and actionable knowledge to better understand the potentialities of Silver Economy. The aim of this special issue is to identify, understand, and address how population aging affects the management of resources, goods and service industries around the world from the micro level perspective (individuals, families, social groups), meso level perspective (organizations, industries, companies) and macro level perspective (governments and institutions).

Suggested topics are the following:

- Service Design for the Silver Economy
- Strategizing by the light of 2030 Agenda goals 3., 9., 11.
- Service and social innovation
- Digitalization and digital service platforms in the Silver Economy
- The use of AI and robots in services for seniors
- Connectivity and social media opportunities for seniors
- Carriers management and "silver management"
- Social, cultural, economic, and financial issues created by the aging of population and their impact on firms' strategies.
- Tourism and hospitality for seniors
- Health care management in the Silver Economy
- Marketing strategy for the Silver Economy
- The effect of the covid-19 pandemic on the seniors' consumption behaviour
- Sharing economy and intergenerational solidarity
- Social finance
- Inclusive and innovative finance

This special issue welcomes qualitative, quantitative and mixed approaches, strongly supported by management literature.

#### Some useful references

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