Report ECIS 2020

European Conference on Information Systems
Marrakech, Morocco
June 15–17
• **ECIS2020 online included:**
  - 1 Keynote
  - 4 Panels
  - Tracks and presentations/discussions
  - Awards ceremony
  - Evaluation Session

• **ECIS2020 online did not include (postponed to ECIS2021):**
  - Workshops (some workshops will be run on their own before ECIS)
  - Doctoral consortium (DC students have been provided with written feedback already).
  - Junior faculty consortium
  - Social event
  - CIO forum
## Paper Submissions and Reviewing

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1. General IS Track
2. Theme track
3. IS Innovation Adoption and Diffusion (AIS SIGADIT)
4. Cognition and Human Behavior in Information Systems
5. Socio-Technical perspectives in the era of Industry 5.0
6. Business Models and Digital Transformation
7. Business Analytics and Big Data
8. Design Research in Information Systems
9. Digital transformation of the public sector
10. Digital Customer Experiences and Interactions
12. Social and Ethical Implications of ICT Use
13. Knowledge Management and Digitization
14. Service Innovation, Engineering, and Management
15. Social Media – Digital Work, Digital Life
16. Enterprise Modelling
17. ICT for Development
18. Openness and IT
19. Health Information Technology and IS for Healthcare
20. Digitized acting in digital societies: the bright and the dark side of online communities
22. IT Project and Programme Management in a Digitizing World
23. Research Methods and Philosophy
24. Rethinking IS Strategy and Governance in the Digital Age
25. Organizational and Behavioural Security and Privacy Research
26. Digital Ecosystems: The Economic, Social, and Environmental Impact of Pervasive Connectivity
27. Information Systems Development - Beyond Agile
28. Blockchain and distributed ledger technologies in IS track
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Country distribution (68 countries)

Europe (21)
- Austria
- Belgium
- Denmark
- England
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Ireland
- Italy
- Liechtenstein
- Luxembourg
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey
- Wales

Africa (16)
- Algeria
- Botswana
- Cameroon
- Comoros
- Egypt
- Ethiopia
- Ghana
- Kenya
- Mali
- Morocco
- Namibia
- Nigeria
- South Africa
- Sudan
- Uganda
- Zimbabwe

Asia (23)
- Bahrain
- Bangladesh
- China
- Hong Kong
- India
- Indonesia
- Israel
- Japan
- Jordan
- Korea, South
- Kuwait
- Malaysia
- Oman
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Qatar
- Saudi Arabia
- Singapore
- Sri Lanka
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- United Arab Emirates
- Vietnam

North & South America (6)
- Brazil
- Canada
- Colombia
- Mexico
- Peru
- United States

Australia (2)
- Australia
- New Zealand
Country distribution: Top 11

- Germany: 335
- United States: 261
- China: 74
- Australia: 71
- England: 57
- Denmark: 25
- Switzerland: 34
- Finland: 34
- South Africa: 30
- Canada: 40
- India: 25

Values are approximate.
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**ECIS 2021 team: no change**
After migrants facing environmental, political and economic disasters, the current pandemic is highlighting that crisis can affect all countries and people of all conditions.

Digital technologies are often presented as at least part of the solution for helping to drive towards a sustainable and inclusive future. Yet at the same time, digital technologies have also been identified as a threat to our:

- freedoms (e.g., in relation to our privacy),
- fairness (e.g., with the digital divide decreasing the economic opportunities for some, and with robotization causing unemployment levels for others), and
- to community (e.g., with social media reducing face-to-face relationships between people even while online connections may be increasing).

How can technology help save lives without emprisoning us? How do individuals, organizations, African and European national and local governments among others, respond to such challenges for human values? Can we see solutions emerging independently of the FAANGs? What role(s) do IS researchers and community can play?