

PUBLIC GOVERNANCE, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY IN TRANSITION

Governance is undergoing a transformation across the globe as countries grapple with the implications of changes in law, politics, and economies. The transformations in governance can be seen within the different contexts, such as the law and politics changing in the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU), where differences in customs transit among member countries are a challenge to regional integration. The war in Ukraine is also catalysing changes in the public administration there, which is becoming more decentralised and digitised, and its civil society is becoming stronger and more adaptive. Economically, Eastern European countries, like Poland and Ukraine, are facing significant impediments to a sustainable economy due to political volatility, corruption, and ineffective institutions.

In these challenging times, the evolving relationship between law, governance, and the economy is critical to determining the structure of public administration. This issue will endeavour to release light on these issues, exploring the relevance of legal orders, political change, and digitalisation to governance. The articles included in this issue address immediate issues concerning the intersection of law, politics and societal outcomes but offer insights into how nascent and disruptive digital technologies will transform the practice of administration and economic governance.

The issue contains a plethora of studies on these relationships in a bid to improve our understanding of the challenges and opportunities for public administration systems in a rapidly evolving world. With authors as diverse as the stu-

provides a comparative analysis of national digital security policies and points out the differences and challenges that each country faces in securing its digital environment.

Other research in this section examines the digitalisation of financial affairs management in decentralised communities in Ukraine. It investigates the impact of a community's digital maturity and outsourcing on financial management efficiency. The findings demonstrate that digitally mature communities achieve an amazing efficiency level in their financial management, with tremendous improvements in decision-making speed, cost savings, and the accuracy of financial forecasts. This study concludes with proposing a conceptual framework for achieving the highest efficiency from financial management in their new decentralised environments through digitalisation and outsourcing.

This issue explores the change of governance in the contemporary world, dealing with legal, political, and digital governance in public administration. The articles provide insight into the challenges countries face in reforming governance to align with evolving socio-political landscapes and emphasizing the importance of legal consistency, political flexibility, and the adoption of digital solutions.

We extend our sincere gratitude to the authors, reviewers, and readers for their contributions to this issue. Your work and interest make these discussions possible, and we hope this issue sparks new ideas, fresh perspectives, and even more exciting conversations about the future of governance.

Sincerely,

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