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CfP: Policy Transfer and Learning in the Context of COVID-19 Pandemic

CALL FOR PAPERS: Policy Transfer and Learning in the Context of COVID-19 Pandemic (abstracts until July 15, 2021)

The scientific journal “**Studia z Polityki Publicznej / Public Policy Studies**” (<http://szpp.sgh.waw.pl>) published at the Collegium of Socio-Economics of the SGH Warsaw School of Economics, announces the Call for Papers for the Thematic Issue:

Policy Transfer and Learning in the Context of COVID-19 Pandemic

Deadline for submitting proposals/abstracts of papers: July 15, 2021.

Deadline for submitting manuscripts: October 31, 2021.

The scope of this Call for Papers:

Since the beginning of 2020, governments around the world have had to take swift and radical decisions to protect people from the COVID-19 pandemic, an infectious disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus. Various types of public interventions were hastily introduced, such as travel restrictions and admitting foreigners, organizing public events, self-isolation, quarantines, and closing commercial and catering facilities.

Governments – sometimes with various social partners – have also started to develop various public policies, strategies, and public programs. For example, economy support packages, business rescue packages; support programs for people losing their livelihoods and easing the situation on the labor markets; programs for obtaining data on the patterns of the spread of the coronavirus; vaccination programs; programs for adapting public and private entities to remote work (e.g., schools and companies).

From the perspective of public policy research, it is crucial to identify the sources of data and knowledge, which become the basis for the creation of the concept of public actions aimed at reducing the scale of the pandemic and reducing the effects of its spread. An important area of analysis is how governments create action programs against a pandemic, to what extent they rely on the transfer of programs, borrowing from outside, and to what extent there is a diffusion of action models in the international space (e.g., the role of World Health Organization recommendations).

Another key dimension of the analysis is the policy learning of all actors involved in countering the pandemic. For example, how the policy measures and tools have been disseminated across regions, across policy networks, across policy domains, and across the vertical (sectoral) and horizontal dimensions. It is also interesting to recognize the best practices that emerged and circulated in public discourse at various stages of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Thematic Issue welcomes papers focused on theoretical issues, empirical findings, and case studies of policymaking. The list of potential topics includes, but is not limited to:

- Policy transfer across the East and the West.
- Public policy in the context of fake news and disinformation.
- New approaches to policymaking during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Relations of public policy with risk and trust management, risk communication, disaster risk reduction, disaster preparedness, disaster management, and resilience.
- Creating and implementing sectoral policies in response to the pandemic crisis.
- Globalization and the Europeanization of public policy during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Convergence, divergence, or persistence of public policy in the new sanitary regime.
- Behavioral dimension of public policy.
- Ethics of public policy during the pandemic.
- Policy innovation, new policy instruments, and digital tools of government (e.g., AI and Big Data).
- Monitoring and evaluation of public policy during the pandemic.

Submission Procedure:

The deadline for interested authors to submit paper proposals/abstracts will expire on July 15, 2021, and for the full manuscripts on October 31, 2021. Proposed topics should be sent to the journal's Editorial Secretary (dr Andrzej Klimczuk, aklimcz@sgh.waw.pl).

Authors should submit manuscripts to the journal "Studia z Polityki Publicznej / Public Policy Studies" **only via the Open Journal Systems website:**

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