

redigim

redistributive imaginaries

A research and knowledge exchange project investigating meanings and practices of redistribution in the context of digitalization.

Project duration

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Aims

ReDigIm examines how citizens across five European countries (UK, Switzerland, Finland, Spain and Montenegro) are using digital tools such as websites, smartphone apps and cashless payment technologies to engage in practices of giving, sharing and donating. It interrogates collective, common-sense understandings of redistribution that give meaning to digitally-enabled practices of prosocial contribution. The project will draw out the implications of these emergent practices and imaginaries for the future of redistribution in Europe.

Research approach

The ReDigIm team is composed of 12 researchers with expertise in sociology, anthropology and media and cultural studies, based at five universities.

ReDigIm deploys a mixed-method approach that incorporates discourse analysis, affordance analysis of digital platforms, fieldwork with civil society groups, and scenario development workshops with stakeholders.

This approach will generate valuable insights into the role of digitalization in reshaping citizens' practices and understandings of

prosocial contribution. It will also generate evidence-based scenarios which will be of value to a range of stakeholder audiences in civil society, government and business.

Knowledge exchange

The research team is working in close partnership with five cooperation partners who will play a key role in the definition, development and dissemination of the research: Digital/Organizing, Finnish Development NGOs, Platoniq Foundation, Fund for Active Citizenship, and Kalevi Sorsa Foundation. We welcome approaches from other stakeholders interested in hearing more about the project and its outcomes.

Research outputs

We will disseminate data, outcomes and findings in a variety of open access formats, including academic publications and stakeholder-facing industry summaries and reports. Visit our website to download these publications or join our mailing list for updates.

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