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Call for Papers
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The theme of **issue no. 2/2019** is *Innovative approaches to social work practice, education, and research*. We welcome submissions from all areas of social work, focusing on innovative approaches in social work. The way that social phenomena are observed/perceived, analysed and interpreted in social work, and then reflected in social protection measures and social policy should evolve as social environments change at different level. Innovation is necessary and to a certain degree present in social work, arising from the flexible and adaptive nature of the profession. Innovation in social work can take many forms: from microlevel processes (e.g., innovative interventions, procedural changes/adaptations, new inter- and intra-professional collaborating tools, etc), to transformational macrolevel processes triggered by changing social policies (social action directions or even reforms of social work systems); from new, improved social work practices to theoretical approaches and social action strategies grounded in an advanced and complex understanding of the continuously changing social reality. The drivers of innovation in social work are also quite varied: social work practitioners, researches, educators, policy makers, the civil society, as well as social services beneficiaries themselves.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Research on the topic of innovation in social work or social work research with a notable innovative approach;
- Theoretical and/or historical analysis of innovations in social work;
- Factors supporting or hindering implementation of innovations in social work;
- Case studies regarding the innovations already implemented by service providers both public and private;
- The role of professional relationships in social work innovation (beneficiary-social worker relationship, inter- and intra-professional collaborations);
- Critical perspectives on social work innovation: What innovations is social work missing or is too slow to implement at the expense of improved social wellbeing? Can certain “innovative approaches” have negative consequences for social work beneficiaries or for social work as a profession?

Contributions in either English or Romanian are accepted.

All articles published in the Social Work Review are indexed by ProQuest, EBSCO, Social Work Abstracts, CEEOL, Index Copernicus, SCPIO, GESIS and IBSS. Authors receive an electronic version of their article. We accept articles that are between 4,000 and 6,000 words (without references), as well as book reviews of up to 1,000 words. References will comply with APA style.

All articles are subject to double blind peer-review.

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