Special Issue

Social Norms and Games

Message from the Guest Editors

Social norms compliance is a prominent approach to the understanding of social behaviour: human beings have an intrinsic preference to conform to what is collectively perceived as "socially appropriate" behaviour in a given context, and are willing to sacrifice material gain in order to avoid actions that are viewed as inappropriate. Despite a long tradition of research on norms in philosophy, sociology and social psychology, this approach has received relatively little attention in economics. Recently, economists have renewed their interest in norms, attempting to formalise their theoretical underpinnings and measure their predictive power. However, substantial gaps remain in our understanding of norms and their influence on social behaviour, leaving scope for significant advancements of the knowledge frontier in this field. This Special Issue is intended to encourage these developments. Papers may be theoretical or empirical. To support open, reproducible research, empirical papers should include a power analysis and make all data available on publication.

Guest Editors

Dr. Daniele Nosenzo
School of Economics, University of Nottingham, University Park

Dr. Silvia Sonderegger
School of Economics, University of Nottingham, University Park

Deadline for manuscript submissions

closed (31 August 2018)

MDPI

Games

an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 0.5
CiteScore 1.5

MDPI

About the Journal

Message from the Editorial Board

Editors-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Ulrich Berger
WU Vienna, Department of Economics, Welthandelsplatz 1, 1020 Wien, Austria

Prof. Dr. Kjell Hausken
Faculty of Science and Technology, University of Stavanger, 4036 Stavanger, Norway

Author Benefits

High Visibility:
indexed within Scopus, ESCI (Web of Science), MathSciNet, zbMATH, RePEc, EconLit, EconBiz, and other databases.

Rapid Publication:
manuscripts are peer-reviewed and a first decision is provided to authors approximately 32.6 days after submission; acceptance to publication is undertaken in 6.9 days (median values for papers published in this journal in the first half of 2025).

Recognition of Reviewers:
reviewers who provide timely, thorough peer-review reports receive vouchers entitling them to a discount on the APC of their next publication in any MDPI journal, in appreciation of the work done.