PUBLIC MANAGEMENT AND PUBLIC POLICIES CHALLENGES IN VUCA TIMES

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The radically changing world of the third decade in the 21st century, defined usual as the times of VUCA, has been subjected except technological revolution as well as climate change, additional "incentives" such as the SARS-COVID 19 pandemic (2020-2021) or the Ukrainian crises/Ukraine-Russia conflict/Russian invasion on Ukraine.

All these phenomena as accompanying migrations and refugees flows as well as the dynamics of changes in markets, in particular financial markets, make it necessary to rethink public governance and the design of public policies at the local, regional national, transnational or global level.

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The following issues could be presented in articles?

- Key policy agenda at global, transnational, national, regional and local levels of the 21st century (analysis of their objectives and results);
- Actors, and institutions of public administration in the age of VUCA:

- The role of the manager for public administration?
- The impact of a public policy on the VUCA world;
- Sectoral and cross-sectoral policies at a time of radical change;
- 21st century geopolitics and public policies;
- Security and cybersecurity in the VUCA world;
- Climate change and its impact on public policy and governance;
- Ethical issues of public governance;
- Timeframe for policy-making and public administration;
- Digitisation of public administration.

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