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Call for papers – June 2025 special issue

"Records and archives. Certainties and doubts in a hybrid world"

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This special issue will host articles about current developments in archival science, theoretical, methodological, and practical. Archival acquisition, appraisal, description, documentation, and management are critical to developing physical, digital, or hybrid collections. Organizational or personal, social, legal or cultural, the archives and records shed light on different aspects of human activity and experience with additional value for future generations. They provide to us with the context surrounding everyday life and events. Through this special issue, we aim to deliver the different aspects of managing and preserving physical and digital archival collections, meeting the information needs of scholars and the broader society by examining the standard rules of archival science together with the technological advances, archival ethics, copyright, and personal data protection, in the setting of sharing our common history. Emphasis will be given to adequate record management regarding content authenticity, accuracy, reliability, integrity, and validity.

We are seeking submissions related, but not limited, to the following topics:

- Archival theory and practice 21st century and beyond
- Tracing archival documents, historical context, transactions, and actors
- Utilizing archival records as evidence of activities
- Governance of functional archives
- Handling historical archives, records, and collections in context
- Permanent storage and authenticity protection in electronic records
- Preserving physical archives and digitization
- Encoding digital archives and republishing
- Reassembling digital archives, restoring context and information
- Innovative information technologies and infrastructure development on archival theory and practice
- Methods, standards, and new practices for archival data management and digital curation
- Archives and open science, linked open data and ontologies.
- Archives and information science, digital history, and digital public humanities.
- Impactful innovations in collection development, management, arrangement, and description.
- Applications of Artificial Intelligence in archives and the ethical implications of its use.
- Partnerships and collaborations in the digital environment.
- Accessibility of archives: opening the collections to everyone and everywhere.
- Data gathering and use of data in our profession—how we analyze our work

Finalized contributions are expected to be 6,000-9,000 words long (notes and bibliography included) and will undergo double-blind peer review. English is the accepted language for contributions, and all essays must follow the JIIM Editorial Guidelines.

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