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The Social and Administrative Sciences journal continues its commitment to fostering high-quality, interdisciplinary research that bridges the gap between social sciences and policy-oriented studies. As we present the September-December 2024 issue (Volume 11, Numbers 3-4), we are pleased to feature two thought-provoking articles that align with our mission to explore contemporary issues with significant social, economic, and administrative implications.

The first paper, An Overview of and a Proposed Reform for the Organ Procurement System of the United States, by Spencer Ryan, addresses one of the most pressing issues in modern healthcare systems: the shortage of organs for transplant. The author critically evaluates the limitations inherent in the U.S. organ procurement system, particularly the role of Organ Procurement Organizations (OPOs). The paper highlights the governance and market constraints that contribute to inefficiencies in organ procurement, ultimately leaving a significant number of viable organs unutilized. Ryan's analysis extends to a discussion of the revised procurement regulations that came into effect in 2022, weighing their potential impact against existing structural barriers. The article's contribution is further enhanced by its forward-looking reform proposal, which advocates a market-based approach to improving procurement efficiency. By bringing empirical insights and policy-driven recommendations, this study not only adds to the academic discourse on healthcare administration but also holds practical significance for policymakers and medical professionals alike.

The second article, A Brief Perspective on Globalization, by Muhammad M. Rashid, takes a broad yet insightful look at the evolving concept of globalization in the contemporary world. The study dissects globalization lenses—financial flows, digital various transformation, environmental impact, and public health considerations, particularly in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic. Rashid raises critical questions regarding the balance between globalization's benefits and risks: Should societies pursue globalization with caution, emphasizing stability over volatility? How does digitization alter the economic and social landscapes across different regions? The paper's multidisciplinary approach is particularly valuable in shedding light on the nuanced effects of globalization, making it an essential read for researchers, policymakers, and professionals navigating the complexities of an interconnected world.

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Both articles embody the journal's core objective of advancing research that has tangible implications for governance, economic policy, and social well-being. Ryan's work on organ procurement reform addresses a critical public health challenge, while Rashid's exploration of globalization provides a comprehensive analysis of a phenomenon that influences nearly every aspect of modern life. Together, these contributions exemplify the intersection of administrative sciences with broader societal concerns, reinforcing the journal's role as a platform for impactful scholarship.

We hope that the insights offered in this issue will inspire further research, discussion, and policy innovation. As always, we remain committed to supporting rigorous academic inquiry that informs and shapes real-world applications. We extend our gratitude to our authors, reviewers, and readers for their continued engagement with Social and Administrative Sciences.

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