The 18<sup>th</sup> edition of the **International Conference on e-Society** was held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic, during **2 – 4 April, 2020**.

This conference was organized by the International Association for Development of the Information Society (IADIS) and co-organized by Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski", Bulgaria.

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This event focused on the main areas within Information Society. It covered both the technical as well as the non-technical aspects of the Information Society. The conference broad areas of interest were: e-Government / e-Governance, e-Business / e-Commerce, Technology and Society, e-Learning, New Media and E-Society, e-Health, Information Systems, and Information Management.

The e-Society 2020 had 76 submissions from more than 19 countries. Each submission was anonymously reviewed by an average of 4 independent reviewers, to ensure the final high standard of the accepted submissions. Out of the papers submitted, 15 received blind referee ratings that signified acceptability for publication as full papers (acceptance rate of 20%), while some others were published as short and reflection papers and posters.

Extended versions of the best papers were selected to be published in:

the Interactive Technology and Smart Education (ITSE) journal (ISSN: 1741-5659)



the IADIS International Journal on WWW/Internet (IJWI). ISSN: 1645-7641



In addition to the presentation of full, short and reflection papers and posters, the conference also included one keynote presentation by Professor Svetla Boytcheva (Linguistic Modelling and Knowledge Processing, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences and Ontotext Ltd., Bulgaria) and a workshop entitled "Critical Development of E-Deliberation Tools" by Alexandra Gheondea-Eladi and Mark Verhijde.



### **Keynote Presentation:**

# THE IMPACT OF THE SEMANTIC KNOWLEDGE GRAPHS AND BIG DATA ON THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

by Assoc. Prof. Svetla Boytcheva, Researcher, Linguistic Modelling and Knowledge Processing, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences and Ontotext Ltd., Bulgaria

This conference presented once again a great opportunity to all their participants to discuss with success the most significant aspects regarding the theme e-Society. It served as a forum that gathered researchers, practitioners, students and anyone that was working or studying in the field of the Information Systems.



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