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Researchers in information ethics have gone back in history as far as Aristotle and Descartes to seek ways, and develop principles, to resolve ethical quandaries arising from advancements in information and communication technologies. In the realm of published work, several studies have investigated the ethical dimensions of moral viewpoints and philosophies. For most of these studies, however, emphasis has been drawn from secular and western philosophies, and religion has not been a point of contention. An ethical system comprising religious laws, specifically the Islamic doctrine, has rarely been addressed by ethical theorists, despite its potential for being a comprehensive source of wide ranging principles that can be used to govern ethical decisions and guide moral behavior.

Islam and its vast reservoir of knowledge can provide an alternative paradigm towards viewing information ethics. Islamic ethics derive from the Quran - a divine source, the Sunnah, and the Islamic jurisprudence that govern all aspects of life. An Islamic ethical system should also merit attention because it is generally believed that Islamic principles can be flexible and adaptable to many new situations such as those demanded by the confluence of information technology and ethics.

While we acknowledge the importance of the spiritual realm of Islam, our interest in the following edition is on the extraction of principles and theories from the religious landscape of Islam towards its potential application to information ethics dilemmas.

Starting from the premise that Islamic law is based on a complete system of morality and that it can be a rich source of knowledge towards providing a moral context for information, as well as information ethics from a legal perspective, we invite manuscripts dealing with the different aspect of Islamic ethics, and specifically related to the philosophy of information and information ethics. The purpose of this special edition of the International Review of Information Ethics is to share the Islamic perspective on information ethics in order to stimulate new ways of thinking that extends the field of Islamic ethics to the development of a global body of applicable theories and practices.

Research topics may be theoretical or applied, philosophical-theological, or sociological. Areas of research relevant to this issue include (but are not limited to):

- Digital global citizenship
- Comparative philosophies
- Islamic information ethics as per Capurro's Trliemma, Luciano Floridi, and others
- Islamic Epistemic Foundations of Ethics
- Comparative religious and none religious perspectives
- The ethical system of Islam in resolving information ethics dilemmas
- The Information society from an Islamic perspective
- Islamic ethics and emerging technologies
- · Artificial intelligence and Islamic ethics



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