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Special Issue on Economics and Business at the Interface of Natural Sciences

The last financial/economic crisis generated a lot of debates about the ability of economics (and more generally social sciences) to deal with the complexity of our social world. In this challenging context, some scholars mobilized sources of knowledge coming from physics, biology, engineering etc. to better grasp the intricacy of economic/business activity.

The relationship between "hard sciences" and "social sciences" is a long-standing topic of interest for researchers and academics. The interdisciplinary dimension is has always been problematic due to the diversity of theoretical matrixes among scholars. These conceptual dissimilarities between scientists offers a particular professionalization of knowledge by organizing the scientific fields into different disciplines. In this context wherein scholars belong to different academic groups with their cultural practices and values; interdisciplinarity appears as a driving force and epistemological necessity to develop a meaningful knowledge on our society.

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- Prospective work aiming at identifying new spaces for future cooperative work

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