

## Call for Papers

## Issue 22: Skills for Industry: The role of vocational skills development in the context of industrial transformation

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TVET@Asia invites researchers, scholars, practitioners, and policymakers to contribute to a special issue on the topic of "Skills for Industry." With the ever-evolving landscape of industry and technological advancements, the demand for a skilled workforce has become paramount. However, in many countries, especially in the global South, vocational education and training (VET) plays a minor role in this regard: Large parts of the employees in the formal sector, e.g. in manufacturing, often lack vocational qualifications, so that skills development takes place primarily in an informal way - while public VET in particular is considered to be of little relevance for industry. At the same time, some East Asian countries have managed to establish forms of VET that are more closely linked to industries, not least as part of industrial policy efforts.

Scope and Objective: The special issue seeks to gather original research, case studies, and theoretical perspectives that shed light on the challenges, opportunities, and best practices in cultivating skills for industry in the Asian context. We encourage contributions that cover a wide range of topics related to vocational skills development and its role in developing a competent workforce to meet the needs of emerging industries. Potential areas of interest include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Industrial change and its impact on skill requirements
- 2. Curriculum development and instructional strategies for industry-driven skills
- 3. Work-integrated learning and apprenticeships
- 4. Policies and governance for skills development
- 5. Industry collaboration and partnerships in VET
- 6. Equity, diversity, and inclusion in skills development
- 7. Future trends and emerging practices in VET

Submission Guidelines: Authors are invited to submit their original manuscripts following the guidelines provided by TVET@Asia Online Journal. All submissions will undergo a rigorous

peer-review process to ensure the quality, relevance, and originality of the research. Manuscripts should be written in English and adhere to the journal's formatting and citation style.

Authors: Open to any interested author.

## Timeline:

- 1. Please send an **abstract** of no more than one page, a short CV/profile (half page) and a list of publications to the editorial board via <u>issue22@tvet-online.asia</u> by **July 31st, 2023**. Please use the "form-abstract tvet-online.docx", which can be downloaded below.
- 2. Notification of abstract acceptance: August 14th, 2023.
- 3. Submission of full draft paper by October 30th, 2023.
- 4. Notification of acceptance and peer review feedback by December 10th, 2023.
- 5. Submission of the final, correctly-formatted paper by December 31st, 2023.
- 6. Tentative publication date: January 31st, 2024.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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