# **Research Highlights**

# Editorial

# Digital transformation and territorial dynamics: research rooted in local realities

At **EM Strasbourg**, research into digital transformation is not limited to the study of technologies: it also examines the profound changes taking place in organizations and regions. The recently launched cluster **Dot@EM - Digitalization**, **Organization**, **and Territory** illustrates this ambition.

Spearheaded by a **multi-disciplinary team** of researchers from the **HuManiS** and **LaRGE** research centers, it explores the effects of digitalization on the financial sector and territorial dynamics, drawing in particular on original data collection.

To this end, a **roundtable** was held on **June 18**, **2025**, **on the challenges of digitizing the financial sector and territorial dynamics**, bringing together researchers, practitioners, and local players.

This was a great opportunity to foster dialogue between academic research and the socio-economic world and to sketch out together the contours of a more inclusive, regionally-based digital future.



Anaïs Hamelin Director of LaRGE Research Center, Head of the DOT Cluster

# Interview



# **Artificial intelligence and research?**

We spoke to Amélie Boutinot about the growing integration of artificial intelligence in research.

Amélie Boutinot - Deputy Director of HuManiS Research Center

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- Maxime MERLI "Green Values and Transparency of Household Savings: A Survey", The European Journal of Finance, 2025.

# **Research project**

# How does digitizing services impact the customer experience?



Associate professor **of marketing** at EM Strasbourg Business School and a member of **HuManiS** Research Center, Tony Valentini **is in charge of** the **PGE specialization Customer Journey Digitalization**.

His research focuses on how people experience service environments, whether **physical**, **digital**, or **hybrid**.

**Tony Valentini** Member of HuManiS Research Center

He is particularly interested in the impact of technology on the quality of these experiences. As **digital transformation** unfolds, he analyzes the **opportunities** to be seized and the **risks** to be managed.

He is currently working on several projects around the "**phygitalization**" of services, **digital well-being**, and **social experience** in tourism. The common objective is to better understand the role of digital tools in the well-being of individuals and the creation of sustainable experiences.

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