

Special Issue: “The emergence of e-sports: Challenges and Opportunities.”

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An article in *TIME Magazine* regarded the emergence of e-Sports as one of the most profound and challenging advances in contemporary sport culture. E-sports constitute a social phenomenon that brings together millions of players and has become a business of enormous proportions. As a consequence of the increasing relevance and success of e-sports, a debate has been raised within international sport organizations on the recognition of e-sports not only as real sports but also as Olympic sports. This raises important questions within the philosophy of sport, especially related to the ontological nature of both e-sports and sports. However, the debate on the ontology of e-sports does not exhaust the possibilities of the philosophical debate on e-sports. Issues related to the governance of e-sports competitions, the organization of e-sports institutions, and the relationship between e-sports and human nature, among others, are relevant as well.

This special issue of *Sport, Ethics, and Philosophy* is dedicated to the main conceptual, philosophical, moral and legal questions that are being raised by the development of e-sports in the context of sport and physical education. We invite scholars to submit papers for this special issue. The following topics and question could be addressed in more detail:

- E-sports and the definition of sport.
- Ethical issues within e-sports competitions. Doping, match-fixing, cheating, etc.
- E-sports and sport aesthetics.
- E-sports and the interpretation of sporting rules.
- E-sports competitions and institutions. Ethics and good governance.
- E-sports and anthropology (the sporting body in a digital environment).
- E-sports and new technologies. A new sport paradigm?
- E-sports and legal issues: the creation of associations, the legal forms of e-sports clubs, the structure of e-sports competitions, and the legal status of e-sports players.

Those interested in contributing with a manuscript to the special issue, please, submit a tentative title and a brief abstract for review (500 words) to the editors.

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