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The Role of AI and Digitalization to Promote Growth and Equity in Latin America and the Caribbean

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Summary

This call for research proposals aims to explore how Artificial Intelligence (AI) and digitalization can foster growth and equity in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) by addressing critical questions related to social impacts, institutional dynamics, and infrastructure development. The proposals should focus on key areas such as education, health, labor markets, taxation, crime prevention, regulation, privacy, and digital infrastructure, highlighting both the opportunities and challenges these technologies present.

Research papers are expected to provide conceptual frameworks, present summary statistics to illustrate relevant trends, review rigorous empirical studies, highlight relevant policy examples from the region and develop policy implications. The goal is to generate actionable policy recommendations that help governments in LAC leverage digitalization and AI to enhance service delivery, efficiency, and inclusion while addressing potential risks such as data privacy concerns and inequality.