

Editorial

We present the third issue of the eighteenth volume of the **International Journal of Information Studies** with the following research.

In the first paper, “**Mapping the Global Landscape of Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle Research: A Scientometric Analysis of Publication Trends, Collaboration Networks, and Thematic Evolution (2020–2024)**,” the authors examined the analysis of global research on Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEVs) during a span of two decades. Using the Scopus database, this work detects publication trajectories, key contributors, collaborative networks, and thematic evolution. Analytical tools, including Bibliometrix, VOSviewer, and statistical modelling, were employed to assess productivity, citation impact, co-authorship patterns, and keyword cooccurrence. They found that PHEV research is transitioning from a specific discipline into a globally interconnected, multidisciplinary field.

In the next paper, “**A Bibliometric Analysis of Library and Information Science Dictionaries in India (1960–2022): Publication Trends, Authorship Patterns, and Market Dynamics**,” the authors presented a major bibliometric analysis of Library and Information Science (LIS) dictionaries published in India in a span of 62 years. The data sources they used include library catalogues, publisher archives, and institutional repositories, and the data were analysed using frequency distributions and Shannon’s Diversity Index, Gini coefficients, and non-parametric statistical tests. They found that while Indian LIS lexicography has matured significantly, critical gaps persist in specialised subfields, multilingual accessibility, and digital integration.

In the last paper, “**Navigating Work-Life Balance in Library and Information Science: A Systematic Review of Global Trends, Challenges, and Evidence-Based Interventions**,” the authors, using the Web of Science database, studied the literature on work-life balance (WLB) among library professionals to identify publication trends, influencing factors, challenges, and evidence-based interventions. Following PRISMA guidelines, 46 peer-reviewed documents published in the last 17 years were retrieved. The Statistical analyses, such as Poisson regression and Chi-square tests, showed a statistically significant upward trend in scholarly output, particularly accelerating after 2020.

We hope that the research published in this issue has applied a range of statistical analyses to improve empirical research in information science.

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