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## **INTRODUCTION TO THE FIRST ISSUE FROM THE EDITOR LEIGHTON VAUGHAN WILLIAMS**

It is with considerable pleasure that we present the inaugural issue of the 'Journal of Prediction Markets.'

The aim of the journal is to provide a peer-reviewed outlet for academics and practitioners who have an interest in this important, exciting and flourishing new field of study.

The journal will publish articles on a wide variety of issues of relevance to the broad subject area, and authors will be allowed considerable freedom, subject to the maintenance of professional standards, in how they treat their areas of enquiry.

While technical and specialist theoretical papers are encouraged, papers which contribute to public discussion and which are applicable to the practical concerns of decision-makers are especially welcome.

Papers which provide an accessible survey of a field of relevant debate are also actively encouraged.

This is an international journal, a perspective which is well reflected in the authorship of the papers included in this first issue.

Welcome to the 'Journal of Prediction Markets'!