



## The Role of Religion in the World of Technologically Transformed Human Consciousness

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### Message from the Guest Editor

In today's world dominated by technology, numerous religious and ethical issues arise, such as how can religions assist virtual man to become truly human and overcome the crises of trust, security, and egoism produced by today's techno-culture? Can religions influence the modern man, and if so, how, in order for him to become a true man by opening up to the whole truth? Does the issue of hylemorphic integrity of a human get affected by "cyborg" technology? What advantages as well as disadvantages do virtual religious groups offer? Has religious optimism been overtaken by transhumanist optimism? These aforementioned questions are incorporated within the framework of this Special Issue, whose fundamental goal is to answer the following question: will and how can religion contribute to the realization of man's free relationship with technology, and how can we make people, who are absorbed by technology, aware of the beauty of religious reality? Following are some potential topics:

- Human consciousness;
- The relationship between virtual reality, transhumanism and faith;
- Knowledge of God in cyberspace;
- Cybertheology.





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