## MORENO FRAU, KESZEY TAMARA: Agri-food firms' attitude toward digital data exploitation in the product development

## **Abstract**

This paper explores digital data exploitation behaviours and shows how these conducts change according to the data sources used by agri-food firms when developing their products. We adopt an exploratory multiple-case study to provide a theoretical framework for agri-food firms utilising digital data for product development. Our findings show two prominent firms' behaviours that we labelled data explorers and data receivers and a third behaviour which is a combination of the main ones. Lastly, this article offers guidelines to support agrifood firms to distinguish how such firms may benefit from the digital transformation by gaining competitiveness by improving production efficiency and supporting the development of their products.

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