



## **Call for Special Issue Proposals**

We would like to invite proposals for a special issue of the *International Journal of Management Reviews (IJMR)*. The special issue will be published in 2022 and we anticipate that the Call for Papers will identify a specific topic or discipline, and a range of themes that might be addressed within that area. Recent examples of special issues include: 'Organisation and Management Paradoxes' guest edited by Adam Lindgreen and François Maon (April 2019) and 'Towards a Theoretical Foundation for Performance Measurement and Management' guest edited by Umit Bititei, Michael Bourne, Jennifer Cross, Sai Nudurupati and Kate Sang (July 2018).

In line with the *IJMR* publication criteria, all papers included in the special issue should make a significant and novel conceptual contribution (Gatrell and Breslin, 2017) and all contributions should be grounded in a thorough and critical review of the literature (Jones and Gatrell, 2014). All proposals should focus on key topics related to management and organization studies. The special issue offers a unique opportunity to set out new strategic directions for research in the topic and shape future conceptualizations in the discipline. In particular, the journal welcomes proposals that seek to challenge and shift paradigms in a manner which is both engaging and convincing, and promotes contributions which have an interdisciplinary reach.

All proposals will be evaluated by members of the editorial board and judged according to the quality of the likely contributions, the guest editorial team, and the potential for the special issue to enhance international reputation of *IJMR*. We are looking for an experienced guest editorial team who reflect the international readership of the journal. The guest editorial team will be joined by a subject specialist from the *IJMR* editorial team who will work closely with them throughout the entire process. As in the case of manuscripts submitted to general issues of the journal, the final decision regarding acceptance rests with the Editors-in-Chief. Guest editors may not author papers included in the special issue themselves (excluding the issue introduction).

The responsibilities of guest editors include handling all submissions, communicating with authors, inviting reviewers and making recommendations on each article using ScholarOne Manuscripts. The special issue should adhere to the usual *IJMR* criteria for handling papers, including standards of correspondence, turnaround times and the peer review process.

Proposals should contain the following information:

- 1. Justification for the special issue.
- 2. Explanation of how the special issue fits with the aims and ethos of *IJMR*.
- 3. Brief introduction to the guest editors and their previous editorial experience as well as standing in the field.
- 4. Explanation of plans to disseminate the call to as wide an audience as possible to ensure sufficient submissions.
- 5. A project plan setting out target dates.

The deadline for proposals is 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 and a decision will be made by 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020. Proposals should be emailed to <u>ijmr@bam.ac.uk</u> and be no more than four pages in length.

Co-Editors-in-Chief: Caroline Gatrell, Dermot Breslin and Katie Bailey

*Useful links:* 

Caroline Gatrell and Dermot Breslin. (2017). Editors' Statement. *International Journal of Management Reviews*, **19**, p. 3, doi:10.1111/ijmr.12133.

http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/ijmr.12133/full

Oswald Jones and Caroline Gatrell. (2014). Editorial Statement. *International Journal of Management Reviews*, **16**, p. 1, doi:10.1111/ijmr.12027.

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'Organisation and Management Paradoxes' guest edited by Adam Lindgreen and François Maon, April 2019. <a href="https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14682370/2019/21/2">https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14682370/2019/21/2</a>

'Towards a Theoretical Foundation for Performance Measurement and Management' guest edited by Umit Bititci, Michael Bourne, Jennifer Cross, Sai Nudurupati and Kate Sang, July 2018. <a href="https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14682370/2018/20/3">https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14682370/2018/20/3</a>