

Conference Special Issues update

Authors are invited to contribute to the several special issues related to the World P&OM Conference. Specifically the following special issues have been agreed for Conference participants :

- **Special issue IJOPM (International Journal of Operations and Production Management)**
- **Special issue IJPDLM (International Journal of Physical Distribution and Logistics Management)**
- **Special issue OMR (Operations Management Research)**
- **Special issue JOMS (Journal of Operations Management and Strategy)**

NEW: In addition, **two new SIs (JOM and JPSM) with specific topics are also open** to P&OM Nara 2022 (2020) participants (see at the bottom of this page). These new 2 SI are not only open for the participants but for other authors applying to an Open call in the corresponding Journal (JOM and JPSM)

For all SIs, guest editors will invite authors of high-quality full papers to improve them to attain the standard of the Journals (see their websites) and to submit their works to these special issues (SIs).

MANDATORY: When submitting full papers, authors who wish their work to be evaluated for a possible pre-selection in these SIs must indicate their preferences regarding them, from 1 (highest) to 6 (lowest)

IJOPM is the official journal of EurOMA, published by Emerald, the world's leading publisher of management research. IJOPM's mission is to publish leading edge, innovative research that has the potential to significantly advance the field of Operations Management, theoretically and/or practically. Drawing on the experiences of both service and manufacturing industry sectors, in both private and public settings, the journal has become a widely respected resource in a complex and increasingly important field in business management. Guest editors will invite authors of high quality papers to submit a paper for this special issue. See more at : <http://www.emeraldgroupublishing.com/ijopm.htm>

IJPDLM, published by Emerald, aims to be the principal home the world comes to for leading edge research bridging strategic areas of business-to-business management, physical distribution, business logistics, marketing channels, and supply chain management with a particular emphasis on developments in omni-channel and multi-channel distribution. The Journal strives to achieve this by providing authors with "best in class" service through timeliness and fairness in the review process, inclusiveness, receptivity to different perspectives, and ultimately impact. Guest editors will invite authors of high-quality papers to submit a paper for this special issue. See more at: <http://www.emeraldgroupublishing.com/ijpdlm.htm>

OMR is published by Springer, since operations management is an applied discipline, it is the aim of **Operations Management Research: Advancing Practice through Theory** to promote research that advances both the theory and practice of operations management. In addition, there is a growing need for a peer-reviewed journal that publishes original, high-quality research that is shorter and more sharply focused than articles in existing OM journals. OMR also occasionally publishes Academic Notes which are special papers that address issues concerning research methodologies, the direction of the OM field, and other such topics of particular interest to academicians. Each regular paper published in OMR must make a clear contribution to the science and practice of operations management and include discussion of the potential of the research for advancing OM theory as well as its application. Guest editors will invite authors of high quality papers to submit a paper for this special issue. See more at: <https://link.springer.com/journal/12063>

JOMS, the official journal of JOMSA, published by Sankeisha, also plans on editing a special issue of the 6th World Conference on Production and Operations Management. The guest editors will review the conference proceedings and invite the corresponding authors of a collection of quality papers presented at the conference to revise and submit the drafts to the special issue. The invitation will be sent after the Conference. The JOMS special issue would feature diversified authors from all over the world, including those members from the organizations jointly organizing or sponsoring the world conference. See more at: <https://www.istage.ist.go.jp/browse/ioms-char/en>

Special issue JOM (Journal of Operations Management) (also open call)

Topic: Operational Excellence of Utilities (Journal of Operations Management).
Organizers/Chairs: H. A. Akkermans and W. van der Valk (Tilburg University - The Netherlands); F. Winstra- (Erasmus University -The Netherlands) and Luk van Wassenhove (INSEAD- France)

Call: Utilities are critical to the security, economic prosperity, and social well-being of a nation. The operations challenges for utilities do not only relate to asset maintenance. While many countries are currently developing plans to revitalize national public infrastructures, the challenges to do so in a timely and cost-effective fashion are substantial. Overall, operations and asset management for utilities has not gathered substantial research interest in terms of empirical studies from an OSCM perspective.

Special issue JPSM (Journal of Purchasing and Supply Management) (also open call)

Topic: Supplier Diversity and Inclusion for Future Operations and Supply Chain Management
Organizer/Chair: Ying Yang (Newcastle University (UK))

Call: The benefits of supplier diversity and inclusion (SDI) have been increasingly recognised, including improving supply chain resilience and eco- development. Partnering with non-traditional suppliers also provides access to new markets and innovation. However, there is little understanding of enablers and barriers to SDI, business models and supply chain networks that can increase it, and government policies that can further it. This special track welcomes research examining the issue from different perspectives, theoretical approaches, methodologies and contexts.