SIG 07 - IM - International Management

With our theme Exploring the Future of Management: Facts, Fashion and Fado, we invite you to participate in the debate about how to explore the future of management. We look forward to receiving your submissions.

GT07_00 International Management General Track

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Strategy and practice: Empirical and conceptual submissions looking at strategy, entry modes, exporting, internationalisation processes offshoring, knowledge management, subsidiary roles and IB theory.
Functional perspectives: Empirical and conceptual papers examining business functions such as IHRM, International Marketing, global sourcing and supply chain management.

IM/IB and Business History: We encourage submissions that embrace the past to provide novel insights. Archival research papers are encouraged.

Cooperation across borders: We invite contributions, focusing on the challenges and opportunities emerging from various forms of cooperation and coordination across borders (M&A, IJV,…).

Other relevant IB/IM topics and a cross-pollination of IB/IM with other fields stimulated by multi-disciplinary studies (e.g., economics, law or psychology) are very welcome. Following up previous EURAM conferences, we noted an interest on the following topics not (yet) covered in our other SIG tracks:

Critical Perspectives on International Business: Focused sessions in this area welcome papers elaborating on the possible future trajectories of critical perspectives on international business, e.g., addressing concerns with dominant academic theorizations of IM and organisations.

IM/IB research with societal impact or relevance. Following up the past SIG plenary discussion in Glasgow 2017 and Reykjavik 2018, we would like to see a set of themed sessions allowing for (inter)national comparisons on specific phenomena or industries (e.g. environmental ventures, health care, voluntary sector).

Following the interest raised in previous conferences, we also encourage submission of papers associated with teaching IM. Submissions could focus on the challenges to teaching IM and other (business) subjects in conventional or virtualised learning environments to diverse student audiences.

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**Publication Outlet:**
Additional publication opportunities will be announced.

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