Call for Papers

Accounting Organizations & Society

Conference on Accounting for Sustainability and Climate Change Fall 2022 – Chicago*

Governments, regulators, businesses, and capital markets increasingly recognize that society is facing a planetary emergency, as evidenced by unprecedented levels of climate change and biodiversity loss, and that the effects of these crises will pose major risks to organizations' operations and create demand for new products and services. There are many novel challenges and opportunities for accounting to help organizations navigate a range of these interacting sustainability issues. AOS will consider papers that provide focused insights into broad issues such as the following:

- New theoretical or empirical insights on how organizations and society have, are, and will use
 accounting to address the mounting risks and opportunities that originate with major climate and
 environmental changes
- The role of accounting in assessing the social and environmental outcomes and impacts that affect society at large, its constituent organizations, capital and labor markets
- Theory and evidence on how accounting constructs and disclosure practices or regulation enhance or impair the quality of organizational management of sustainability issues. These insights could cover, for example, accounting practices central to:
 - o business process measurement
 - o business risk management
 - o reporting and disclosure
 - o external and internal control architecture
 - assurance and verification

Given the range of issues covered by the call, we envisage that some research questions will require quantitative research methods while others will require qualitative methods and some might require mixed methods. We welcome papers that employ any type of research method that is appropriate for addressing the paper's specific research question(s).

Conference Editors: Hans Christensen (University of Chicago), Jeff Hales (The University of Texas at Austin), Brendan O'Dwyer (University of Amsterdam Business School, University of Amsterdam and Alliance Manchester Business School, University of Manchester), and Mark E. Peecher (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign).

Submission Process: Submit electronically at the <u>Accounting, Organizations and Society</u> website, along with a cover letter indicating a conference submission. The deadline is June 15, 2022. Authors will be notified of their acceptance to the conference by August 15, 2022. The expectation is that papers accepted for the conference will, after further revision, be published in AOS, subject to satisfying any new major concerns that emerge in the review process. A financial contribution towards conference travel expenses will be made to authors of accepted papers.

^{*} Deferred until Fall 2022 due to COVID. Specific date and venue to be announced.