



## **Strategic Interest Group 12 – Research Methods, Theories, and Practices**

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Dear EURAM members and friends,

With our theme **Research in Action**, we invite you to participate in debate about how we can use and develop our knowledge better so that solving problems and dealing with issues can become more effective. We look forward to receiving your submissions.

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### **T12\_04 Theories of Management, Information, and Systems**

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#### **Short Description:**

The Theories of Management, Information, and Systems track's main objective is to stimulate debate and confront different views regarding the use of information systems to support strategic practice and management theory building. We also welcome theoretical, conceptual, and experimental contributions on formal modelling including game theoretic approaches or computational approaches such as system dynamics, agent-based modelling, genetic algorithms, or neural networks. Moreover, we are keen to read submissions combining theoretical interest with rigorous methodology to deal with complexity when articulating long-

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### **Long Description:**

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### **References:**

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### **Publishing Outlets:**

*Systems Research and Behavioral Science*, *European Journal of International Management*, *Kybernetes*.

### **For more information:**

Gandolfo Dominici is Editor-in-Chief of indexed journals such as Kybernetes, of the International Journal of Markets and Business Systems, and of the International Journal of Electronic Marketing and Retailing as well as member of the editorial board of several international peer reviewed journals. The prospects for dedicated special issues could not be better.

### **Submission Deadline: 10 January 2018 (2 pm Belgian time)**

### **Authors Guidelines and Submission Deadline:**

As an author, it is crucial to follow the guidelines and formatting instructions to prepare and submit your paper in order to have it published in proceedings.

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3. To facilitate the blind review process, remove ALL authors identifying information, including acknowledgements from the text, and document/file properties. (Any submissions with author information will be automatically DELETED; author information and acknowledgements are to be included in a SEPARATE document).
4. The entire paper (title page, abstract, main text, figures, tables, references, etc.) must be in ONE document created in PDF format.
5. The maximum length of the paper is 40 pages (including ALL tables, appendices and references). The paper format should follow the [European Management Review Style Guide](#).
6. Use Times New Roman 12-pitch font, double spaced, and 1-inch (2.5 cm) margin all around.
7. Number all of the pages of the paper.
8. No changes in the paper title, abstract, authorship, track and actual paper can occur AFTER the submission deadline.
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10. Only submissions in English shall be accepted for review.
11. In case of acceptance, the author or one of the co-authors should be available to present the paper at the conference. A presenting author can only present one paper at the conference.