



SIG 11 - PM&NPM - Public and Non-Profit 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.

T11_06 - Public governance and management for global challenges

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Short description:

The proposed sessions aim at presenting research studies on a competitive basis on the most relevant governance and management aspects of organizations, networks and regimes acting at international level and dealing with global challenges, including migration, security, bank crises, trade, health, environment, among others. This topic comes from the evidence of the emerging importance of international bodies in the transnational decision making arena, on the other, the growing relevance of governance and management issues, as a consequence of both an economic and a legitimacy crises.

Long description:

In the last fifty years, the number of non-state actors dealing with rulemaking and regulatory functions experienced a stunning increase. In the same time, states went through a process of disaggregation passing from 50, in 1945, to almost 200 in 2010 (Cassese 2012). Such trend diffused the concentration of power to other actors of global governance favouring the emergence of different kind of non-state entities in the international arena. This coupled with the raising challenge of governing globalised markets where trade, finance, health and environmental issues are interconnected led to the creation of 265 inter-governmental organizations (IGOs)¹, almost 8.000 International - non-governmental organizations (INGOs), a large number of international regulatory regimes, multilateral agreements and private institutions with regulatory functions. All such pieces of global governance (Karns, Mingst 2010) contribute to shape the administration of the world. The increased binding character of the decisions taken by those international bodies as well as the extended span and scope of their content impact on individuals, firms or states, putting pressure on the justification of their power. Nevertheless the legitimacy of a political system depends also on its capacity to achieve the citizens' goals and solve their problems effectively and efficiently (Schimmelfennig 1996), leading to conclude that the extent to which the actions,



taken by international bodies, are legitimized depends on the results of such actions. If this is true, then performance management becomes a key aspect, especially for the more intrusive international bodies (Zurn, 2004). In a management perspective, performance depends on how inputs are processed to deliver outputs and how these latter impacts in the organizational environment producing outcomes. Thus, performance improvements is linked to the modernization of the management structures of international bodies dealing with global challenges. In this context, management aspects of those international bodies become a priority to assess their contribution to tackle the global challenges they are created for. How human and financial resources are managed, how the organization is structured and performance measured? How governance processes have been designed? These latter are some of the key research questions addressed by this topic aiming at presenting research studies on a competitive basis on the most relevant governance and management aspects of organizations, networks and regimes acting at international level and dealing with global challenges, including migration, security, bank crises, trade, health, environment etc.

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