

## *Methodology Matters*

### **Call for papers**

Methodological considerations are central to academic research. *Methodology Matters* is an established section of the *European Management Review* that provides a peer-reviewed outlet for contributions about the challenges of conducting management research. The section is edited by Bill Lee. Articles are welcome on all aspects of the practices and policies of research from reflections on philosophical underpinnings through discussions of the design of projects, the application of methods of data collection to the reporting and evaluation of findings, and the ways in which cultural and institutional settings shape and constrain research. *Methodology Matters* seeks to uphold the rich diversity of research traditions from across Europe and beyond and welcomes articles from any epistemological tradition, methodological predilection, disciplinary background and cultural setting. The content of articles submitted to this section could include but is not restricted to:

- Novel applications of any method of data collection or analysis;
- Critical reviews of a specific application of a method or approach particular to a stipulated intellectual, national or disciplinary context and reflections on the wider applicability of that method or approach;
- Reflections of applicability and usefulness of any ontological, epistemological or methodological approach;
- Insider, reflexive accounts on any of the challenges faced in the conduct of research, particularly those relating to international boundaries;
- Critical appraisals of the criteria used for evaluating research in different traditions;
- Interpretations of the mechanisms – such as journal lists, research quality audits, ethical regulatory boards – that are used to manage research at an institutional, national or international level;
- Sharing of good or promising practices in management research methodology and the pursuit of engaged scholarship;
- Commentaries upon the use of new technologies in the management research process;
- Challenges to established methodological practices, both qualitative and quantitative;

- Expressions of state-of-the-art of research methods in a particular sub-discipline of management covered by the *EURAM* and *EMR* constituency and suggestions for innovation and improvement in those areas;
- The methodological challenges faced in research when notable changes take place such as by the introduction of a far-reaching new technology, new data control regulations or international political realignments;
- Methodological issues – in the broadest sense from conception to dissemination – involved in translation between languages when conducting research;
- Origins of – and cultural influences on – different research methods and their usefulness;
- Ways of establishing international research teams in ethical ways that respect cultural differences and international diversity.

Authors of articles should locate their contribution in a relevant intellectual, disciplinary, cultural or national context, to help readers gain a proper understanding of the challenges to applicability of the argument in other settings. Authors should make clear that the article is intended for publication in the *Methodology Matters* section and observe the general guidelines for submissions to the *European Management Review*. Articles considered suitable for *Methodology Matters* by the section editor will be subject to double-blind review.

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