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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Greetings everyone and I hope you enjoy reading the latest news from EurOMA in this edition of the newsletter. As you'll see from the range of materials covered, EurOMA continues to go from strength to strength. The Trondheim team are hard at work making preparations for this year's conference (17-22 June, in case you need reminding of the dates). The Heriot-Watt team are advancing plans for a great EurOMA 2017 conference in Edinburgh and we hope to be able to announce the venue for the 2018 conference while in Trondheim (incidentally if you are interested in hosting a future EurOMA conference please let Andreas Größler know as he runs the meetings and events team).

As some of you will know this is my last "message from the president", as my three-year term as President comes to end at this year's conference. It is amazing how quickly the time has passed, but it has been a real honour to work with the EurOMA board and wider membership during the last three years. At the outset of my term the board spent some time discussing EurOMA's vision and values, as well as the Association's strategic priorities. We agreed that we should focus three things: (i) innovations at the conference, (ii) revamping the EurOMA website and (iii) encouraging greater use of social media.

I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank the whole board for their time and effort in moving these three priorities forward. Each year new innovations have been introduced at the annual conference. Thanks to Jan Godsell and colleagues we now have a teaching track, as well as the Nigel Slack Teaching Award (which Pearson kindly sponsors). At the last board meeting we spent some time discussing how we can make the annual conference even better and agreed that in Trondheim we should encourage session chairs to think creatively about how they can stimulate good discussions in their sessions. One of the primary reasons for presenting papers at conferences is so we can give each other constructive yet challenging feedback on our work and the session chairs play a fundamental role in enabling this. So this year we want to encourage all session chairs to work hard to make their sessions - particularly the discussions - a great success.

The second priority we agreed was to revamp the EurOMA website. Under the leadership of Rafaella Cagliano, a great team (including Tjorbjorn Netland, Giovanni Perrone and Cristina Seytar) have done a superb job with the website. I'm sure you'll agree that the new website (and new logo) are a great improvement.

Finally, we agreed that we would try and encourage greater use of social media. Here too we are seeing wider and deeper engagement - if you are on Facebook or LinkedIn - please do take the time to join the EurOMA groups - just search for EurOMA on either platform and you'll find them there. And for those on Twitter, don't forget to follow @EurOMA2016

None of these initiatives would have moved forward without the engagement and support of the EurOMA board and indeed the wider EurOMA membership, so let me thank you all - both for the things you have done for EurOMA and in advance, for the things you will do in the future.

Best wishes and I look forward to seeing you in Trondheim.

Andy Neely
EurOMA President

EDITOR'S COMMENTS



Dear All,

welcome to the EurOMA Newsletter #45. As you know, an important event is coming soon: the 2016 EurOMA Conference in Trondheim. As usual, we could enjoy plenary and parallel sessions, while several activities will precede the Conference, such as the Doctoral Seminar, the Publishing Workshop, and the Young Scholars' Workshop. You can find useful details in this Newsletter.

This includes also:

- An updating on the EurOMA social media project
- The Featured Article, providing some thoughts on lean (20 years after *Lean Thinking*)
- Past conferences and events
- Future conferences and events
- Call for papers
- Employment opportunities
- From the IJOPM Editor
- EurOMA Board composition.

Pamela Danese
Editor

EUROMA @ SOCIAL MEDIA

EUROMA AND SOCIAL MEDIA: THE FUTURE IS SOCIAL

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It is March 2016, and two years have passed since we initiated the EurOMA Social Media (SoMe) project. It is time to summarise and set out new directions for where we want to go and for how to use our SoMe channels.



Figure: We are EurOMA. Meet us at EurOMA So-Me.
(Photo by @EurOMA2015)

The past

The EurOMA Conference in Dublin in 2013 was an early attempt at integrating SoMe in the conference. We understood that EurOMA has a great potential in leveraging the power of SoMe to reach existing and new members. The EurOMA Board decided to establish the EurOMA SoMe working group. The working group was headed by Raffaella Cagliano (Politecnico di Milano) and Torbjørn Netland (NTNU), and included researchers from several countries: Matteo Kalchschmidt (U. of Bergamo), Boyana Petkova (Free U. of Amsterdam), Brian Fynes (UCD), Gerald Reiner (U. of Neuchâtel), Manoj Dora (Ghent U.) and myself (at that time Chalmers U.) During spring 2014, we de-

veloped a suggestion for the SoMe strategy for EurOMA. In March 2014, the EurOMA Board approved the strategy and we started the real work: deploying the strategy. We set up different accounts at different platforms, had numerous discussions on email and Skype on what to do, what directions to take, what initiatives to support and how to manage all these potential channels. Finally, we decided we were ready for take-off and launched the different channels in connection with the annual conference in Palermo 2014.

The present

The channels we currently use are Facebook and LinkedIn. During the past two years, the amount of members has constantly grown and we are currently 207 registered members on Facebook and 431 on LinkedIn. While Facebook, so far, mostly has been used as an information-sharing channel, primarily managed by the SoMe group, LinkedIn has seen more of academic discussions and debate. Meanwhile, we have used Twitter as a communication channel where each conference registers an account for that specific year. We also frequently use the hashtag #EurOMA20XX to communicate news about the annual conferences (e.g. #EurOMA2016). Further, with the recent launch of the SoMe-integrated EurOMA webpage, we believe we will get more out of the SoMe initiatives.

The future

The question now is how we proceed. This is where you come into the picture. A strategy is nothing more than a statement on a piece of paper until it materialises among people, and a SoMe platform is noth-

ing worth until people start using it. We have the platforms, we have the members, we have some great discussions going on, but what can we do more? Where do we want to go next? The theme for this year's conference in Trondheim, "Interactions", is not only a result of current research streams and global changes in how we do business, it can also be seen as related to new communication patterns among people. It has never been easier to interact with others, but this also sometimes leads to information overload. However, handled in a good way, SoMe allows for simple, focused, and direct communication with people all over the world. The opportu-

nities are endless and it is up to each and every one of us to decide how to explore them. Therefore, please get involved, and interact, to ensure that the content of our common SoMe channels is what you want it to be. Initiate discussions, share experiences, promote your research, find collaborators and keep the academic debate going also outside the face-to-face forums we so fruitfully use within the EurOMA community.

Until we meet in Trondheim, see you in our LinkedIn group, Facebook group and on Twitter. You easily find the links to the groups on our new webpage www.euroma-online.org

FEATURED ARTICLE

20 YEARS OF LEAN THINKING: THE NEW FRONTIERS OF LEAN

The dominant logic of operations management (OM) switched from mass production and scientific management principles to leaner ways of working. The sector-specific publication, *'The Machine That Changed The World'* opened up operations thoughts to new systems and ways of working that suited the relatively isolated and closed conditions of automotive supply chains and it wasn't until 1996 that *'Lean Thinking'* migrated lean practices to a wider OM audience. In essence, the domain logic of the car industry was now a series of 'live' experiments in a number of manufacturing and service sectors across the globe. Twenty years on, market conditions, new technology and a global recession presents a series of challenges that are shaping a new approach to lean and a new set of research challenges to the OM community.

Awareness of the lean approach has migrated to all sectors from utilities to healthcare and across all main business processes which has raised awareness and the level of competence in understanding customer value as well as the technical aspects of value streams, flow and pull. The OM community has been much less active in the debates concerning perfection, the sustainability and adaptation of lean systems within a single national context and between multi-national site operations. In effect, the influence of the different levels of culture (professional, organisation and national) on 'sustainable' and viable systems. The need for such research has never been greater as new advances in technology (3D printing and redistributed manufacturing) are stimulating new business models and posing questions of the labour needed to exploit these new possibilities. At the heart of the research issue is the inability of a machine to generate new ideas and seek perfection.

To frame the new conditions that will shape lean for the next 20 years, we propose:

- Evolutions of lean will be greatly impacted by national cultures (such as the German ideology of 'technic' and how this will influence a lean version of Industry 4.0)
- How multinational businesses support lean sustainability in different country cultural settings so that local autonomy can exist within a global reporting structure.
- How the friction between lean waste reduction and how this fits with the sustainability of improvement in safety critical businesses which demand resilience and uses duplication and redundant systems to cope with catastrophe.

Future OM research studies require a deeper understanding of context and management practice which is why we hope the special session at EurOMA 2016 (Trondheim) - *Lean operations and corporate improvement programmes* - will allow members of the international fraternity to challenge lean now that it has reached this new exciting crossroads. After 20 years, many challenges and new frontiers exist that would allow our EurOMA community to 'join up' lean thinking and assess the new challenges that are posed by an increasingly complex and changeable environment.

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PAST CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

8TH SERVICE OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT FORUM

The 8th edition of the Service Operations Management Forum was held in Nuremberg, Germany from December 3-4, 2015. The workshop, jointly organized by EurOMA and EURAM, was all about "Service Innovation: Concepts, Platforms, Business Models". 40 participants from Europe, but even Japan, New Zealand and Africa participated in the event. Next to presentations for directed feedback on their research, round table sessions in smaller groups created space for the diverse group of young and senior

scholars to engage in vivid discussions about relevant issues for research in the context of service innovation in manufacturing, service platforms, digital services and service co-creation. Held at the modern living lab JOSEPHS® - The service manufactory at the time of the traditional Christmas market in Nuremberg, including sausages and Bavarian beer, the workshop was an interesting and fun event that created new contacts and led to some ideas for joint service research projects in the group.



3RD INTERNATIONAL EUROMA SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONS AND SC FORUM

Around 80 academics from around the world arrived at Lancaster University Management School (LUMS), UK, in April (11-12) for the 3rd International EurOMA Sustainable Operations and Supply Chains Forum.



The main theme was the "Local vs. Global Sustainability Debate". The ideal of buying local implies less use of global supply chains, and has the potential benefits of greater supply chain visibility. However, as explored during the Plenary Panel Discussion, local sourcing is not always realistic given global differences in costing and skills availability – not to mention the inappropriate climate for growing oranges in Canada!

Given the interdisciplinary nature of sustainability research, the opening plenary speaker was Professor Stuart Walker, Professor of Design Sustainability at Lancaster. His talk included thought provoking

images, such as the 'inconvenient' mobile phone – (that takes some thinking about, as at first it may seem like a contradiction!) Using these images and story-telling, he proposed a 'Quadruple Bottom Line', adding 'Personal Meaning' to the well-known social, environmental and economic dimensions of the Triple Bottom Line.

Through-out the two day Forum, there was a great buzz around LUMS as delegates enthusiastically engaged with debates that had begun during the sessions. The parallel session topics included: putting sustainability into product development & innovation; green supply chain management; socially responsible sourcing & supplier development; information disclosure & transparent sustainability reporting; and overcoming trade-offs between the economic, social and environmental dimensions of the triple bottom line. Provocative titles included: "Can David threaten Goliath? An action research project into the emergence of an organic food cooperative in Brazil".

A new feature this year was the Special Session/Stream on 'Innovative Engaged Methodologies', or

ganized and run by Anne Touboulic, Lucy McCarthy and Carsten Reuter. This stream explored the issue of how to make sure that our research has an impact on sustainability in management practice, as well as meeting the demands of academic rigour.

Of course, no Forum is complete without the social events, and we relaxed over a three course meal at the Art Deco designed Midland Hotel. Before the meal, we sampled drinks and canapes whilst enjoying the beautiful serene views across Morecambe Bay towards the Lake District (even though there was too much cloud for a colorful sunset). Someone even commented on the quality of the English food – they were surprised that it was good, of course!



We would like to thank: the EurOMA Board for their support of this event; Amy Benstead for being our Social Media Champion; all of the scientific committee for their timely reviews of the abstracts; and Raffaella Cagliano and Annachiara Longoni for their helpful contribution as members of the international organizing committee. Raffaella has already agreed to host the next event in Milan: February 27-28th 2017. We hope to see many of you there!

Professor Linda Hendry & Professor Mark Stevenson, LUMS, UK



8TH JOURNAL PUBLISHING WORKSHOP

The 8th EurOMA Journal Publishing Workshop was held in Barcelona from 29-30 October 2015. The aim was to help researchers to transform their submitted papers into journal-level submissions. We welcomed researchers in the field of Operations Management (OM), who wish to increase the quality of their publications in recognised international academic journals. The team that acted as tutors and discussants for the papers submitted to the Workshop was:

- Cipriano Forza, Università di Padova, Associate Editor of JOM and DSJ
- Chris Voss, London Business School and Warwick Business School, Editorial Board member of JPIM, IJOPM and JSR

The Publishing Workshop had two specific objectives:

- Publishing process. Through plenary sessions with members of the editorial board of OM journals, the participants will be briefed on the editorial policy, publication process, strategies for submission, writing and responding to reviews, resubmission process, etc.
- Co-creation to improve the paper. Each paper will be allocated to a journal editorial board member as discussant, who will comment on the content and clarity of presentation of the ideas. The discussions will take place in small group sessions, during which other workshop participants in addition to the discussant will critique the papers and provide suggestions for further development to bring the paper up to publication standards. The process of critiquing other papers will be an important part of the learning process.

FUTURE CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

EUROMA 2016 – TRONDHEIM, NORWAY

17-22 June 2016
Trondheim, Norway



Welcome to Trondheim, welcome to EurOMA2016! You are mostly welcome to the north of Europe from the 17th to the 22nd of June 2016 – to long bright days and a historic city in the heart of Norway. We promise that you will enjoy it. We are very pleased with the high number of good-quality abstract submissions (n=640), of which about 80 % was accepted. We are also pleased with a record number of applicants to the Doctoral Seminar. In addition to more than 400 quality paper presentations, we are now planning an attractive cultural and social program for you.



The Nidaros Cathedral, the Nidelven river and NTNU main building in upper right corner

Your host

The 23rd EurOMA conference is hosted by the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU). NTNU is Norway's main technical university, offering education and research in technology, engineering, natural sciences, and human and social sciences. This year, NTNU merged with Gjøvik University College (HiG), Ålesund University College (HiAa), and Sør-Trøndelag University College (HiST), making NTNU the largest university in Norway with a total of 39 000 students, of which half studies technology and natural sciences. We have dozens of international student exchange programmes and more than 300 cooperative or exchange agreements with 60 universities worldwide. NTNU's main campus Gløshaugen is located only a 15-30 minute walk from most hotels in the city centre.

Two departments at NTNU have teamed up to organize EurOMA: The Department of Production and Quality Engineering and the Department of Industrial Economics and Technology Management. Together, the two departments cover the whole range of oper-

ational, tactical and strategical perspectives of operations management and supply chain management. To organize the conference, NTNU has teamed up with all major academic Operations Management departments around Norway. Our co-organizers are SINTEF, University of Stavanger, University of Agder, BI Norwegian Business School and Molde University College.



Part of the EurOMA2016 team

Tours

We have planned two exciting Tours on Wednesday 22 June you can choose from – a local tour and a regional tour. The Local Tour takes you inside two different factories in Trondheim, and also includes a networking lunch and personal guiding in Trondheim. The first factory is Teeness Sandvik, a producer of silent tools. In this high-tech tooling factory, you will learn first-hand how extraordinary union-management cooperation models can contribute to competitiveness for medium-sized factories in Europe. You will also visit the Nidar confectionary and chocolate factory. One of the largest and most famous chocolate and sweets factories in Norway. That simply cannot be wrong.



The Regional Tour takes you to Røros (photo credit: Tom Gustavsen for Destination Røros)

The Regional Tour will take you to the UNESCO World Heritage Site and city Røros, including two factory visits and local food and experiences. With a multitude of historical landmarks and its old town on the UNESCO world heritage list, Røros is a must-see when visiting the Trøndelag region. You would not

expect to find one of Europe's best mass customization factories in this town—but it is here. Mass customization guru Joseph Pine visited SB Seating (HÅG) in 2013 and 2015 and stated: "It's relentless focus on eliminating inventory and producing and delivering all orders on the same day that it confirms delivery of those orders, makes SB Seating one of the premier mass customizers in the world". SB Seating delivers customized office-seating solutions to Europe in less than three days. The Regional Tour also takes you to Røros Mat – a local food producer. Come taste reindeer beef, cheese and other specialties. It is certainly worth the bus ride. But, if you want to join any of these tours, you need to hurry registering for the conference. There is a maximum number of 45 seats for each of these tours. See www.euroma2016.org for more information about the tours.

Your preparations

Besides writing your paper and getting the funding you need, you should start planning your trip to Norway. There are many ways to make it into an unforgettable experience; see www.visitt trondheim.com and www.visitnorway.com for ideas and guides. You can arrive in Trondheim by air, rail or road. There are daily direct flights from airport hubs such as Copenhagen (SAS), Stockholm (SAS), Amsterdam

(KLM), Oslo (SAS), Bergen (SAS) and Stavanger (SAS). Furthermore, there are non-daily direct flights from London Gatwick, Berlin, Nice, Barcelona, Alicante, and other cities. A great option for the adventurous ones is the Hurtigruten cruise ship voyage from Bergen via Trondheim to Kirkenes – described to be "the world's most beautiful sea voyage" (www.hurtigruten.com). There are also a few international cruise lines that arrive or depart Trondheim around the days of the conference (see the conference web page). Whichever option you choose, remember to set aside plenty of time to enjoy our country. Norway takes time to travel, and you really do not want to rush it. Of course, remember to check the weather forecast, and bring your sunglasses or umbrella. We hope it will be sunglasses.

For more information:

www.euroma2016.org

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More information can be found at www.euroma2016.org. You can also follow us on Twitter [@EurOMA2016](https://twitter.com/EurOMA2016). We are looking forward to welcoming you in Trondheim in June!



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15TH EUROMA DOCTORAL SEMINAR

17-18 June 2016
Trondheim, Norway

The annual EurOMA doctoral seminar, that was started by Professor Harry Boer, will this year celebrate its 15th edition! The seminar takes place immediately preceding the annual conference, this year it is the 17th and 18th of June. And, as always, the seminar attracts many applicants, from all over the world. This year, a total of 54 students applied for the seminar. This year's doctoral workshop will be sponsored by NTNU and Molde University College.

The intention of the PhD seminar is to offer PhD students a safe environment, where they can present and discuss their work with peers and senior researchers. Each student gets one hour devoted to their research, with ample high-quality feedback. The seminar is also an opportunity for PhD students to practice discussing and constructively commenting the work of others. This is an invaluable skill to develop, as it helps students to understand the strengths and weaknesses of their own work.

The PhD seminar is also an opportunity for network development. As such, it is an important part of EurOMA's offering to its members. With its 15th edition, around 440 young researchers will have gone

through the Doctoral Seminar. This is a remarkable achievement and also a great intervention into promoting high-quality operations management research, one which EurOMA should be very proud of.

8TH YOUNG SCHOLARS WORKSHOP

19 June 2016
Trondheim, Norway

Targeted at young academics in general and alumni of the EurOMA Doctoral Seminar in particular, the EurOMA Young Scholars Workshop is conceived as a way to support the career development of young scholars in the field of operations management (OM) by teaching and sharing with them major skills needed in an academic career. Furthermore, the initiative is aimed at developing the community of young OM scholars, keeping the network alive and providing opportunities to meet and discuss relevant topics.

The topic of the 8th Young Scholar Workshop is “**Designing and developing research projects in Operations Management – from concept to publication**”.

Time and place

The EurOMA2016 Young Scholar Workshop will be arranged on Sunday June 19th at NTNU, Trondheim, Norway, Realfagsbygget, from 9:00 to 13:30.

Application

The Young Scholars Workshop is open to young scholars, who have completed their PhD studies and are pursuing an academic career.

Participants in the 2015 Young Scholars Workshop will receive an invitation and have to confirm their participation in the 2016 workshop by sending an email to hboer@business.aau.dk before April 22, 2016.

First time applicants are requested to send a CV and proof of their EurOMA membership by e-mail to hboer@business.aau.dk before April 22, 2016.

Notification of acceptance will be sent out not later than May 6, 2016.

5TH WORLD CONFERENCE ON P&OM

06-10 September 2016
Havana, Cuba

Theme

“Joining P&OM forces worldwide: Present and future of Operations Management”

P&OM was already a key area in Business Administration at the end of the last century. However, it did not enjoy the position and recognition that it deserved compared to other disciplines, such as Marketing, Finance and Management, for example. This is why the idea arose for the various P&OM Associations in America (POMS), Europe (EurOMA) and Asia (JOMSA), which were working separately, to join forces for the first time to generate synergy to the benefit of the P&OM field as a whole.

As a result, the idea behind the World P&OM Conferences was born in 1998 as a new kind of Conference, supported by the joint work of the three Associations and their members for the different Conference tasks and designed to provide: 1) a rich worldwide debate and exchange of knowledge in the discipline, with high participation by OM leaders; 2) a major effort to facilitate a high level of networking among OM scholars. Since then Conferences have

been held every 4 years with a high success. After Seville (2000), Cancun (2004), Tokyo (2008) and Amsterdam (2012), it is now time for the fifth, which will be held in Havana. It is once again the moment to join forces at a time of increasing growth and complexity in our field!

Why to join

The 5th World Conference on P&OM (co-organized by POMS, EurOMA and JOMSA) is coming soon. Mark your calendar to attend it in Havana (September 6-10th, 2016) at the Havana International Conference Centre. We want P&OM Havana 2016 to be a new benchmark in every aspect and different than the regular Conferences. Don't miss it! Info: www.pomhabana2016.com

Some reasons to attend P&OM Havana 2016:

- An outstanding group of more than 20 keynote speakers from Europe, America and Asia have already agreed “to join forces” to debate hot topics in our discipline with you;
- An exciting line-up of invited sessions coordinated by more than 30 well-known scholars from Europe, America and Asia has already been prepared;

- An academic program structure designed to facilitate worldwide debate among scholars from Europe, America and Asia;
- Special attention to facilitate the best networking in a wonderful and exciting location (the social activities, some included in the fees, will play an important role for this goal);
- Havana, a very safe, mythical and magic venue, chosen as one of the “7 wonder Cities of the World”, and with a downtown listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site;
- Easy flight connections at affordable prices from many airports around the World;
- Inexpensive accommodation in high quality hotels (including breakfast, transfer from and to the Airport, transfer from and to the Conference venue, and transportation to Conference activities);
- A wonderful ratio services/ Conference fees, higher than in previous Conferences.

Therefore: Join forces with us and share your OM knowledge with scholars from around the world to debate about the present and future of OM! Join us on a trip back in time where you will find colonial art deco, wonderful music and friendly people. Where you can have a few “mojitos” with your friends and colleagues, and even hail a ride in a classic 1950’s car! On behalf of the Steering Committee and of the Local Organizing team, we are looking to seeing you in Havana.

Future Important dates

- May 6, 2016 - 2nd Decision Notification
- May 2016 - Accommodation site opens (via conference website)
- May 20, 2016 -- Full Paper Submission (optional) opens
- June 20, 2016 - 12:00 noon CET - Deadline for Full Paper Submission (optional) / Early-bird Registration closes
- September 6-10, 2016 - P&OM Havana 2016 Conference & Tours

Steering Committee (POMS, EurOMA and JOMSA)

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4TH INTERNATIONAL EUROMA SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONS AND SC FORUM

27-28 February 2017
Milan, Italy

Theme: “The challenge of sustainable innovation: the role of OM and SCM”.

The increasing interest on Sustainability in OM and SCM since the late ‘90s have challenged companies to expand their priorities to the triple dimensions of social, environmental, and economical performance. Pursuing sustainability performance requires companies to rethink - sometimes in a radical way - their

products, processes, management practices, and sometimes even their business model. Often, these innovations are carried out in collaboration with a number of non-usual stakeholders, such as green technology providers, research centers, NGOs, and others. In doing so, companies develop increased capabilities to innovate both within and across company boundaries. These new capabilities, in turn, can be exploited by the company to be more innovative on all aspects, not only for sustainable innovation. So the challenge of Sustainable Innovation in OM and SCM is twofold: from the one hand how to

become more effective in developing sustainable innovations, and on the other hand how to exploit the new capabilities developed by the company. In this vein, typical questions to be discussed are: How sustainability in OM and SCM, in different industries, could foster innovation? Which are innovative business models for implementing sustainable innovation in OM and SCM? Does sustainable SC performance improve when pursuing innovation? What are the appropriate research methodologies to apply? Potential contributions related to such challenges and opportunities are specifically welcome but they are not restricted to these.

The forum targets all researchers interested in the Sustainable Operations and Supply Chains area who would like to contribute to knowledge with their recent work, seek opportunities to interact with other colleagues, explore future research avenues around the topic and channel their views. The event fosters in-depth discussions of the field in a small setting, with potential for generation of new insights, collaboration opportunities and future research topics. All submissions should have a clear Sustainable Operations and Supply Chains focus and are encouraged to be interdisciplinary in nature. Potential contributors are invited to submit an extended abstract (500 words) for consideration for inclusion in the program by October 28, 2016. All abstracts will undergo a double blind review. A decision regarding acceptance will be made by December 2, 2016. For accepted papers (full or work-in-process), the final paper must be received by January 22, 2017.

Key dates

- Registration Open: October 1, 2016
- Extended Abstract Submission: October 28, 2016
- Notification of Acceptance: December 2, 2016
- Paper Submission & Registration Deadline: January 22, 2017
- Forum Dates: February 27-28, 2017

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OTHER EVENTS

2016 OM DIVISION JOINT JUNIOR FACULTY AND DOCTORAL CONSORTIUM

August 6, 2016
Anaheim, CA, USA

The Operations Management Division is proud to announce a joint Junior Faculty and Doctoral Consortium at the annual meeting of the Academy of Management (AoM) in Anaheim, CA, USA. This event will be held from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Saturday, August 6th, 2016. The AoM Conference is a premier venue for empirically focused OM research.

Building on previous years' format, all participating junior faculty and doctoral students are going to stay together throughout the day. A group of more senior OM scholars will serve as faculty mentors, and the junior faculty members are also expected to share their experiences with the doctoral students. In addition, we will have an interactive session about rec-

ommended conduct in empirical research followed by a panel discussion with editors from top tier journals in the field.

The joint consortium is primarily composed of two integrated sessions. After a welcome breakfast, the morning session invites junior faculty and doctoral students to present their research prospectus describing how they are extending their dissertation research and/or starting new research streams. This session will follow an intensive research incubator format. Each student will give a 15-min presentation about his/her research proposal to a panel of senior and junior faculty who will provide feedback and guidance on each proposal. We will convene with everybody to have a nice sit-down lunch during which participants and mentors can get to know each other in an informal setting. In the afternoon

session, we will have discussion sessions regarding recommended conduct in empirical research as well as personal dilemmas in a career in academia. After each discussion session, a group of panelists will provide feedback and answer questions. Doctoral students and junior faculty doing research on any Operations Management topic may participate. However, preference will be given to students and junior faculty employing empirical research techniques. Students who have attended other conferences' doctoral consortia find this consortium uniquely beneficial due to its intensive focus on developing research. In our format, junior faculty are put in a unique position of receiving advice from senior faculty as well as acting as mentors for doctoral students.

The consortium coordinators are Dina Ribbink (dribbink@ivey.ca) for the junior faculty and Finn Wynstra (fwynstra@rsm.nl) for the doctoral students. If you are interested in attending the Joint Junior Faculty and Doctoral Consortium, you need to send your ap-

plication by e-mail to the relevant coordinator by April 15, 2016. Applications will be acknowledged via email by May 15.

The applications should include: (i) a vita, (ii) full contact information, (iii) advisor's contact information (doctoral students only), (iv) a one-sentence statement on your stage in the doctoral program (doctoral students only), (v) a one-page summary of your dissertation research (doctoral students only), and (vi) a one-page research prospectus (junior faculty only). Doctoral students should also indicate whether they apply for a travel grant from the OM Division Student Assistance Fund. (If interested, please provide a separate cover letter and a reference by your doctoral advisor addressing financial need.)

All senior faculty interested in mentoring please contact either coordinator. For any questions, please contact Dina Ribbink (dribbink@ivey.ca) or Finn Wynstra (fwynstra@rsm.nl).

CALLS FOR PAPERS

SPECIAL ISSUE ABOUT SUPPLY CHAIN INNOVATION: NEW TRENDS AND MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES IN BUSINESS RESEARCH QUARTERLY (BRQ)

It is our pleasure to announce the Special Issue about Supply Chain Innovation: New Trends and Management Challenges in Business Research Quarterly (BRQ). BRQ was formerly known as Cuadernos de Economía y Dirección de la Empresa. It has been indexed in the SSCI since 2008. Elsevier is the editing and distributing partner.

Papers for the special issue should be prepared according to BRQ guidelines for authors. Publication of the special issue is planned for 2017. Original submissions are due **September 30th, 2016**, and must be sent online by accessing the Elsevier Editorial System at <http://ees.elsevier.com/brq>. Early submissions are encouraged. Authors should indicate that they would like their submission to be consid-

ered for the special issue "Supply Chain Innovation: New Trends and Management Challenges." We attach the CFP.

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SPECIAL ISSUE OF THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF OPERATIONS AND PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT - OLD THEORIES, NEW CONTEXTS: EXTENDING OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT THEORIES TO PROJECTS

Objective

The objective of this Special Issue is to provide a forum for works at the nexus of OM and project contexts. Project contexts provide particular challenges for both theory and practice, due to the variable levels of complexity^{1,2}, present in those contexts. In ad-

dition, project contexts have received little attention in OM journals³.

For the development of OM, this represents an opportunity for theory development, testing and extension. For instance, how well do OM theories translate into the projects context? In addition, where project

contexts demonstrate novel theoretical insights, these can subsequently be tested in other operations domains. Our purpose then is two-fold: to enrich the discussion of OM and Operations Strategy by focusing on a neglected context, and to develop specific insights for projects by using established OM lenses.

The papers

This SI seeks innovative research that has the potential to significantly advance the field of OM theoretically and/or practically. Papers are welcome to address but are not limited to one of the following topic areas:

1. Operations strategy for projects

Organizational aspirations for projects are regularly no more than 'internally neutral'. This presents a number of opportunities. Firstly, projects are a means by which organizational strategies⁴ and operations strategies⁵ are delivered. Secondly, (how) can organizations move from an internally neutral stance to gaining competitive advantage from their project operations⁶? This approach proved highly beneficial for both theory⁷ and practice⁸ development in repetitive operations but is still at an early stage in projects. In addition, what constitutes project (dynamic) capabilities, how are they configured, and what are the organizational design choices?

2. Projects as 'change operations'

Projects are temporary endeavors outside the routine work of the organization for the purpose of implementing change (strategic and tactical). For example, lean projects seek to improve an existing, ongoing operational process. What theories can OM offer to help with this effort in comparison to other theories of change that haven't yet been advanced by areas such as "new product development," "innovation," "strategy," and "managerial change"? In addition, does an organization or an operation that is being transformed, as opposed to a product (manufacturing), a person, or ownership (service), represent a new category of general operations⁹ or perhaps a subset of service operations?

3. Temporariness in operations processes

Whilst many operations can be viewed as having a degree of permanence, most definitions of projects highlight their temporariness. Organization Studies, for instance, has approached projects by considering them as 'temporary organisations'¹⁰. How does this relative impermanence differentiate approaches to managing operations, trade-offs, and operational dynamics? Moreover, what are the particular challenges of managing temporary operations spanning the boundaries between temporary and permanent organizations?

4. Novelty in operations processes

Relative to ongoing, repetitive operations, projects tend to have higher levels of uncertainty, ambiguity and novelty¹¹. This complicates the application of conventional OR and OM approaches to modelling and optimization. How do these characteristics differentiate the approaches to planning and managing operations from those of more established and understood repetitive organizational structures? What are the implications and challenges for agility, adaptability, and managerial control in such dynamic operations that require rapid generation and assimilation of new information?

5. Operations management in projects

Tools and concepts routinely used in the analysis of repetitive processes require reinterpretation in projects. This is in itself an area with significant potential. Further, managing even simple projects requires the use of social capital and engagement with behaviors in addition to processes. Have we therefore reached the limits of the current approach of 'fix the process' in our pursuit of measuring and improving project performance? For instance, optimism bias¹² has been well studied, but what else can projects learn from behavioral operations?

6. Project concepts useful for operations

What concepts useful in project management might have use in traditional operations dealing with "permanent" organizations? For example, what project concepts such as phase gates, project maturity, risk management, project portfolios, programs, organizational project management, project capabilities or agile project management, might be useful in OM and under what conditions? What are the operational conditions necessary for these and are these more flexible, crowd-based or open approaches useful more generally in information-intensive operations?

Timescales

- Deadline for full paper submissions: Tuesday, 2nd January, 2017, 17:00 GMT
- Decision to authors: Friday 10th March, 2017
- Deadline for revised papers: Monday 8th May, 2017
- Second round decisions to authors: Monday 3rd July, 2017
- Deadline for final papers: Monday 4th September, 2017
- Publication: early 2018.

Papers must be within the scope of this Special Issue, conform to the requirements for IJOPM papers, and be submitted through the ScholarOne system.

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SPECIAL ISSUE ON OR APPLIED TO HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF OPERATIONAL RESEARCH (EJOR)

Background

Following the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, the world has witnessed devastating pandemics, natural and man-made disasters like the Haiti earthquake (2010), typhoon Haiyan (2013), the Ebola pandemic in West Africa (2014), the Nepal earthquake (2015), the war in Syria and the current on-going refugee crisis. Disasters like these put a lot of strain on the humanitarian system. According to United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) more than \$19 billion was raised in donations in 2015, but the needs were much higher. Humanitarian organizations (HOs) operate in environments with high uncertainty not necessarily knowing where their next operations will be or what the needs of the beneficiaries will turn out to be. Besides the operational challenges created by this uncertainty, HOs are accountable to donors, who provide funding for disaster response and development programs, and they are also accountable to the beneficiaries and the international community. They often have to work with the military, the local government and commercial companies to be able to respond to the beneficiaries' needs. All these stakeholders that comprise the humanitarian system do not all share the same objectives. The operational budgets of the HOs are often tightly constrained and so is the pool of skilled humanitarian aid workers that can operate in such environments.

Objective of the Special Issue

Operating under uncertainty, with severe constraints and in an unfamiliar context characterized by stakeholders with conflicting goals, are characteristics of the complex dynamic humanitarian system. OR models and methodologies are certainly of great potential value here. Many researchers looking for interesting problems for analytical modelling have delved into the world of humanitarian operations. However, the models suggested, while being methodologically rigorous have frequently lacked solid anchoring in reality. This has obviously limited their practical relevance. The objective of this special issue is to publish rigorous research that is well-grounded in practical foundation, for example by using real data, assumptions that are convincingly grounded in reality, looking for solutions to specific problems that the humanitarian system is facing, discussing how the results are validated and can be used in the field. We are particularly interested in papers that develop conceptual and OR models studying the complexity humanitarian operations are facing. We also welcome methodological and more abstract research provided it is clearly motivated by a practical problem. The studies should be anchored in practice and clearly discuss how they can be used in the field, preferably by showing evidence of interaction with humanitarian practitioners. Papers should explicitly describe the problem context justifying the data used. *We are looking for rigorous studies that present relevant and original work in humanitarian aid, welcoming different disciplines and methodologies.* To fit the mission of the special is-

sue, the papers should have a solid practical foundation and should fit in one or more of the following categories:

1. Papers well-grounded in practical foundation that manage to go beyond applications of existing methods by showing how the special context of humanitarian operations requires a different approach from a pure commercial OR application.
2. Empirically-grounded analytical modelling papers.
3. Papers that use multiple methods for triangulation purposes, such as case studies, interviews, etc.
4. Multidisciplinary papers that have a solid practical foundation.

Authors should explicitly indicate what category or categories they fit. Papers that do not fit the special issue will not be invited to continue the review process. We will seek the participation of practitioners

to confirm that the papers are looking for solutions to specific problems that the humanitarian system is facing, their assumptions are convincingly grounded in reality, and the results can be used in the field.

Paper Submission

Papers should be submitted following EJOR submission guidelines.

Deadline for Submissions

The deadline for submissions is October 31, 2016.

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FROM THE IJOPM EDITOR



Dear Colleagues,

this is just to update you on IJOPM. We are aiming to enhance IJOPM's reputation still further toward 4*. EAB have had discussions and shared clear ideas

about how this can be achieved. However, my main reason for writing is to say a big thank you to all authors and reviewers who contribute positively for IJOPM. There is also another side, though – we will be undertaking a removal of names from the reviewers list of those academics who have either agreed to do a review and then let down the process by not doing so; or where the reviews themselves are of a poor quality.

Being a reviewer for IJOPM is something to be proud of – and is a key means of becoming a member of the Editorial Advisory Board (EAB). Very good, helpful and thoughtful, reviews lead to better papers, which then lead to excellent publications in International Journal of Operations & Production Management.

Again, my thanks to all who contribute to IJOPM – I am pleased to have such a supportive EAB group and excellent associate editors in Alex Hill, Des Doran and Pamela Danese.

Professor Steve Brown

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT ROTTERDAM SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT, ERASMUS UNIVERSITY

Institution: **Rotterdam School Of Management, Erasmus University**

Department: **Technology & Operations Management**

Position: **Assistant Professor** (tenure track)

Application Deadline: **June 30, 2016**

Rotterdam School of Management (RSM), Erasmus University, invites applications for multiple tenure-track faculty positions (preferably at the Assistant

Professor level) in the area of Supply Chain Management, Procurement, Logistics and/or Operations Management. We are explicitly looking for candidates with either of the following two profiles:

1. A candidate who is an expert in analytical methods. This expertise could encompass deterministic or stochastic modelling, simulation, optimization, linear and integer programming.

2. A candidate who is an expert in empirical research methods. This expertise could encompass both large-scale (survey) research, small-scale (case study) research and experimental research designs, but also techniques and applications such as econometric analysis, analysis of secondary data, and meta-analysis.

Applicants should have (or expect to complete in the near future) a Ph.D. in Supply Chain Management, Logistics, Procurement, Operations Management, or a closely related field. The candidate should have expertise in one of the areas of specific interest to our group:

- Supply chain coordination and contracting
- Transportation, logistics, distribution management, vehicle routing and scheduling
- Intralogistics (material handling, warehouse management, terminal operations)
- Procurement, sourcing, purchasing & supply management
- Behavioural logistics/operations/procurement
- Service logistics/operations/procurement
- Sustainable logistics/operations/procurement

Candidates need to have demonstrated a potential for excellence in research and teaching.

About the School

The Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University, located in Rotterdam, The Netherlands, is a top-ranked international business school renowned for its ground-breaking research in sustainable business practice and for the development of future global business leaders. Offering an array of bachelors, masters, doctoral, MBA and executive education programs, RSM is consistently ranked amongst the top 10 business schools in Europe; it has a research ranking of 4th in Europe, with its full-time and executive MBA programs ranked in the top 30 world-wide, and its international CEMS MSc Program ranked 2nd world-wide.

Research Environment

The position is in the department of Technology & Operations Management. Within this department, we practice a very broad range of both analytical and empirical research methods and we have a strong tradition in critically reviewing and improving such methods. You will also be part of the ERIM-LIS (Business Processes, Logistics, and Information Systems) community of some 90 researchers, including more

than 40 PhD students. ERIM is the joint research institute of Rotterdam School of Management and Erasmus School of Economics. The LIS research program consists of three main research themes: (i) Logistics and Supply Chain Management (including Sustainability and Supply Chain Optimization, Terminal Optimization, Purchasing and Supply Management, Behavioural and (Service) Operations Management); (ii) Business Information Management (including Behavioral Informatics Management, Future Trading and Decision-Support, Information Strategy, Smart Business Networks and Business Analytics), and (iii) Innovation Management (including Disruptive Innovation, Standardization, Visions of Innovation, and Innovation in the Supply Chain).

Research methods include both empirical research methodology and mathematical modelling and simulation. The aim of the ERIM-LIS research group is to be at the forefront of the developments in its domain and to make major contributions both to management research and to management practice. Our research is largely inspired by business challenges and is often carried out in close cooperation with companies.

Base salaries are competitive with attractive benefits and possibilities to increase salary. Substantial tax benefits apply to non-Dutch citizens, conditional on permission granted by the Dutch Tax Office.

For further information regarding,

- RSM, Erasmus University: www.rsm.nl
- The research environment at RSM: www.erim.nl
- Salary and benefits: <http://www.eur.nl/english/staff/>

How to Apply

The application deadline is December 1, 2015, but applications will continue to be accepted until the positions are filled. Applications received before October 19, 2015 will be considered for interviews at the INFORMS conference in Philadelphia. Applicants should send an electronic copy of their letter of interest, curriculum vitae, a research statement, a teaching statement, two recent (working) papers and names of three referees to Carmen Meesters-Mirasol (e-mail: cmeesters@rsm.nl), and to Marie Schmidt (schmidt2@rsm.nl). Screening will start immediately and continue until the positions are filled. Erasmus University is an equal opportunity employer committed to building a culturally diverse intellectual community.

FULL PROFESSOR AT UNIVERSITÀ COMMERCIALE LUIGI BOCCONI

Institution: **Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi**

Department: **Management & Technology**

Position: **Full Professor**

Application Deadline: **May 31, 2016**

The Department of Management and Technology at Bocconi University, Milan (Italy), is engaged in an effort to expand and strengthen its Operations and

Supply Chain Management faculty by recruiting a senior professor (at the Full Professor level).

The ideal candidate should be an established researcher with an outstanding publication record (only applicants who have published in top international journals will be considered) in the most relevant fields (Operations Strategy, Operations Management, Logistics Management, Supply Chain Management, Service Operations Management). Excellence in teaching at different levels (Graduate, MBA, PhD) is also required. Experience in executive education is a preferential requisite.

Bocconi is a leading European University and the Department of Management and Technology is in a sustained period of growth and internationalization,

with 16 faculty members hired in the last four years. Salaries, research accounts and teaching loads are competitive with leading academic institutions in Europe.

Statements of interest and CVs should be submitted via the on-line e-form which can be found at <http://www.unibocconi.eu/recruiting senior>. Applications will be considered until May 31st, 2016 and the selection process will go on until suitable candidates are found. Only selected candidates will be contacted for further steps. Informal enquiries about this position may be made to the Chair of the Recruiting Committee, Professor Andrea Fosfuri. For application details, please contact Miss Barbara Bovi, Human Resource Office, Bocconi University, at recruiting@unibocconi.it

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AT UNIVERSITÀ COMMERCIALE LUIGI BOCCONI

Institution: **Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi**
Department: **Management & Technology**
Position: **Associate Professor**
Application Deadline: **May 31, 2016**

The Department of Management and Technology at Bocconi University, Milan (Italy), is engaged in an effort to expand and strengthen its Operations and Supply Chain Management faculty by recruiting a senior professor (at the Associate Professor level).

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ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT ROTTERDAM SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT, ERASMUS UNIVERSITY

Institution: **Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nürnberg**
Position: **W3 Professorship (Chair) for Digital Industrial Service Systems**
Application Deadline: **April 15, 2016**

The Faculty of Business, Economics, and Law invites applications for a W3 Professorship (Chair) for Digital Industrial Service Systems at the School of Business and Economics (Institute of Information Systems; planned additional affiliation with the Department of

Computer Science at the Faculty of Engineering) to be filled by the earliest possible starting date.

The professorship is being established as part of Zentrum Digitalisierung.Bayern (ZD.B), the key element of the Bavarian government's digitalization initiative BAYERN DIGITAL. The applicant is expected to work with ZD.B's office in Garching (website: <http://www.zentrum-digitalisierung.bayern/>) and contribute to the projects and activities of ZD.B as part of their research.

The successful candidate is expected to represent the field adequately in teaching and research. The research focus of the professorship is service systems engineering, in particular the systematic development, modeling and piloting of industrial product service systems for digital manufacturing at the intersection of engineering and management research. The professor will be involved in teaching in Bachelor's and Master's degree programs at the School of Business and Economics, as well as in the degree programs offered in collaboration with the Faculty of Engineering (in particular Information Systems, and Industrial Engineering and Management). Active participation in the further internationalization of these degree programs and in courses taught in foreign languages is expected.

In addition to their work at FAU and their associated teaching duties, the University expects the successful candidate to become closely involved in the activities of ZD.B, to support its goals, to collaborate with colleagues at ZD.B and to spend time at ZD.B's office in Garching.

Prerequisites for the position are a university degree, university level teaching experience, a doctoral degree, and additional academic qualifications. These should be in the form of a Habilitation (post-doctoral thesis) or equivalent academic publications. The necessary qualifications may also have been ac-

quired in a non-university context or through a junior faculty position (e.g. W1 Professor or Assistant Professor).

FAU expects applicants to become actively involved in the administration of academic affairs and welcomes experience in managing research projects and raising third-party funding. FAU pursues a policy of intense student mentoring and therefore expects its teaching staff to be present during lecture periods. FAU is a family-friendly employer and is also responsive to the needs of dual career couples. In its pursuit of academic excellence, FAU is committed to equality of opportunity and to a proactive and inclusive approach, which supports and encourages all underrepresented groups, promotes an inclusive culture and values diversity.

Please submit your complete application documents (CV, list of publications, list of lectures and courses taught, certified copies of certificates and degrees, list of third-party funding) to the Speaker of the School of Business and Economics, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Findelgasse 9, 90402 Nürnberg, Germany by DD.MM.2016. Please also send an electronic version to wivi-sprecher@fau.de.

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