

DEADLINE - 30 NOVEMBER 2018

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

23rd International Conference Current Trends in Public Sector Research Jan 24 - 25 2019

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- You can find all the necessary information (deadlines, guidelines for participants, instructions for abstracts and papers, fees, etc.) [here](#).

The main topic areas include:

1. Public Finance (Session I)
2. Public Services and Non-profit Sector (Session II)
 - a. [SPECIAL PANEL 2019: Killing the Messenger? Civil society in the CEE countries.](#)
3. Public Administration and Public Sector (Session III)
4. Poster Session
5. SPECIAL SESSION 2019: Experiments in Public Management Research.

ONLY ABSTRACT should be submitted before the conference. Deadline for submission is **November 30, 2018**.

Final paper is expected after its discussion at the conference (January 31, 2019).

Due to the limited time, only a several contributions will be discussed at the conference. The remaining contributions that will not be selected for discussion are invited to be presented as posters. You can submit your paper directly to the poster session as well.

It is possible to participate without submitting a contribution to the conference. However, the condition is payment of conference fee.

Conference proceedings (for Ph.D. students primarily)

- All the submitted papers are subject to a double-blind peer review process.
- Papers will be published in the post-conference proceedings after a successful review process.
- Conference proceedings will be sent to Thomson Reuters to be included in the Web of Science database.
- Number of accepted and rejected papers in 2014 – 2018

Previous conference proceedings (2012 – 2017) are indexed in the Thomson Reuters Web of Science (WoS).

Participants of the conference are invited to submit extended versions of their papers to the [Review of Economic Perspectives](#) (a peer-reviewed scientific journal indexed in Scopus, ERIH+, EconLit, EBSCOhost, RePEC/EconPapers and other electronic databases)

Important dates:

— REGISTRATION (with paper)	30 Nov 2018
Deadline for abstract submission	30 Nov 2018
Results of the abstract review process	15 Dec 2018
REGISTRATION (without paper)	9 Dec 2018
Deadline for the paper submission	31 Jan 2019
Results of the paper review process	17 Feb 2019
Deadline for the final paper submission	3 Mar 2019
Conference fee payment	9 Dec 2018

SPECIAL PANEL 2019: Killing the Messenger? Civil society in the CEE countries.

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In our panel, we aim at an analysis of the state of civil society in the region where these processes are clearly visible – Central and Eastern Europe (CEE). In some of the CEE countries we have been witnessing measures and illiberal turns with dramatic consequences for civil society. In most of these countries the civil society finds itself on quickly shifting grounds – new type of civil society actors are rising, some of existing actors face restrictive policies and even state repression, some of civil society organisations attempt to adapt for new conditions.

We particularly invite papers which ask following questions: How are civil societies and actors in CEE changing in terms of resources, strategies, values or organizing? Are they declining, adjusting their agenda and strategies, or calling to arms? How these transformations relate to the changing of political elites? Can we observe or even measure changing strategies of contemporary political representations towards the civil society? What is the popular picture of civil societies in CEE countries? What is the role of the media and/or political elites in shaping the image of civil society or nonprofit and how it affects trust of citizens towards the third sector?

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