**Call for Conference Track Proposals**

**8th Responsible Management Education Research Conference**

*Poverty and Prosperity: Implications for Advancing the SDGs, 2030 Agenda and*

*Responsible Management Education in a Post-Pandemic World*

**International Business School Suzhou, Xi’an Jiaotong-Liverpool University**

Suzhou, China 20-22 October 2021

The co-organizers of the 8th Responsible Management Education Research Conference: The International Business School Suzhou, Xi’an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, PRME Anti-poverty Working Group and PRME Regional Chapter DACH, invite the responsible management education community and its stakeholders to contribute to this global event that will take place is Suzhou, China on 19-22 October 2021.

**General Theme and Target Audience**

The overarching theme of the 8th RMER event is: *Poverty and Prosperity: Implications for Advancing the SDGs, 2030 Agenda and Responsible Management Education in a Post-Pandemic World*

The conference target audience incudes the global community of researchers and scholars who are involved and/or interested in responsible management education and sustainable development, as well as their respective key stakeholders from business, government, civil society organizations, youth, and media.

RMER conferences are designed for mutual sharing and learning related to the conference theme. RMER conferences have many opportunities for professional networking and developing personal contacts.

**Conference Program**

As traditional for the RME Research events, the final Conference Program and Topics results from a specific **co-design process** through which the responsible management community and other stakeholders have the opportunity to propose conference tracks and sessions that are directly relevant and/or complementary to the event’s general theme and related issues, while at the same time reflecting specific research and educational interests of the track proponents.

Particularly welcome are proposals coming from PRME chapters, working groups, and other entities in the PRME community, other international associations and actors operating in the landscape of responsible management education; as well as from the research and educational community in general.

Submission deadline for proposed conference tracks and sessions: 05 March 2021

**Guidelines for Submission of Conference Track Proposals**

All submissions should include a one page summary of the following:

* A clear title related to the conference theme
* A background summary of the problem, challenge or opportunity
* Name, affiliation, bio and email address of the track/session proponent(s)
* Target groups that are interested in the subject and will be invited/mobilized to contribute

The track review process will be run by the conference Program Committee, who will also suggest the respective format and schedule for the accepted track/session.

Track proponents are expected to disseminate the Call for Papers through their respective networks and professional contacts. They wll also organize paper review and provide recommendations for accapetnace for the papers submitted to their tracks.

**Conference Format**

The conference will be a **2-day** event with a well-balanced combination of:

* plenary sessions
* interactive panel and roundtable discussions
* parallel sessions
* poster sessions
* various open engagement sessions

**Conference Dates**:

20 October Participants arrival and get-together evening

21 – 22 October Main Conference

23 October Side events, study visits and social program

**Important Dates**:

* 27 January Call for conference track proposals
* 05 March Deadline for track proposals
* 08 March Conference home page opened and operational
* 15 March Call for contributions (abstracts, extended abstract, work in progress, etc.)
* 31 May Deadline for authors’ submissions
* 08 July Notification of submission acceptance
* 05 September Deadline for early-bird registration
* 03 October Deadline for regular registration

**Conference Venue**:

International Business School at Xi’an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Suzhou, China

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**Previous RME Research Conferences**

The venues of the RME Research Conferences, which is a joint project of the PRME Regional Chapter DACH and PRME Anti-poverty Working Group, rotate among PRME DACH Chapter institutions and those from the global community of the PRME Anti-poverty Working Group members. The previous seven RMER conferences, their themes and venues included:

* 2014 *The Future of Responsible Management Education*, Chur, Switzerland,
* 2015: *Inclusive Business*, Cairo, Egypt
* 2016: *Linking SDGs and Responsible Management Education at Universities*, Krems, Austria
* 2017: *New Research Questions for Responsible Management Education and Advancement of SDGs*, Curitiba, Brazil
* 2018: *Leadership Development for Advancing the SDGs,* Cologne, Germany
* 2019: *Multi-stakeholder Engagement for the Agenda 2030*, Jönköping, Sweden
* 2020: *The promise of digitalization and artificial intelligence: Implications for responsible management education and moving forward with the SDGs*, Chur, Switzerland