CALL FOR SPECIAL ISSUE PROPOSALS: 2020-2022

Competition and Change is inviting proposals for special issues for the next three years. The journal is expecting to publish six special issues during this period. Special issue proposals need to focus on an area of research that falls within the broad scope of the journal and adds value in terms of addressing new or under-explored topics that reflect recent theoretical and empirical developments with respect to the thematic focus of the journal described below. This list of topics is not exhaustive and the editors are open to consider other relevant ideas with the broader fields of relevance to Competition and Change.

Thematic focus of Competition and Change

*Competition and Change* is an international peer-reviewed journal, uniquely featuring theoretical, empirical and policy oriented research that aims to develop an understanding of the causes and consequences of competition and change with respect to globalization, financialization and broader conceptualizations of restructuring capitalist relations. The journal is inter-disciplinary and welcomes contributions from a wide range of social science disciplines, including heterodox economics, political economy, critical research on work, management and organization, economic geography, sociology, development studies and international relations. In particular, we are interested in research and scholarly work that focuses on:

1. The nature of contemporary capitalism, including its organizational and spatial dynamics and their gendered effects
2. The drivers, mechanisms, and uneven impacts of globalization and social change
3. The changing configuration of state-market-civil society relations, including diverse forms of governance, regulation, resistance, and social welfare
4. The forms, processes and consequences of financialization
5. Global value chains and production networks, industrial clusters and other organizational forms with new implications for economic, social, and environmental upgrading
6. Different forms and disruptive influences of capitalist instability including global civil society, social movements, migration, and climate change
7. Industrial structure, nature of competition and performance within and across national/regional economies
8. How global political economy shapes, and is shaped by, the worlds of work, organization, society, and nature
Guidelines for Special Issue Proposals

Proposals can be submitted in two different forms:

1. A full proposal, reflecting research at an advanced stage, with brief details of contributors and potential articles (such as existing draft working papers connected to a conference held recently or about to be held) (Maximum 6 pages, min 1.5 space)

2. A fairly well-developed open ‘call for papers’ type proposal that can be further publicised to attract new paper submissions to a specific theme or topic (Maximum 3 pages, min 1.5 space)

All proposals should include a working title, names and affiliations of guest-editors and provide a timeline for the submission of papers. A detailed account of the aims of the proposed SI and its appeal and currency for the readers of Competition and Change should be provided in the proposals. Most importantly, the proposals must explain what is original, new and noteworthy about the proposed collection. Full proposals should also provide the details of contributors, provisional titles and abstracts of papers.

A special issue will normally contain 5 to 6 articles. In instances, where the co-editors of the journal deem that not all articles submitted for final publication by guest editors are of the standard for publication, the editors may decide to offer guest editors and authors the option of turning the special issue into a special section in a regular issue, or publish individual articles as stand-alone papers.

All proposals (or expressions of interest / general inquiries) must be sent in the first instance to Leo McCann. leo.mccann@york.ac.uk

Please submit your proposal by 31 March 2019.