

CALL FOR SPECIAL ISSUE PROPOSALS: 2023-2024

Competition and Change - the journal of financialization, globalization and political economy - is inviting proposals for special issues for 2023 and 2024. The journal expects to publish four special issues during this period. Special issue proposals should focus on an area of research that falls within the scope of the journal and address 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 will consider other ideas within the broader field of relevance. This is an exciting time for the journal, having recently experienced significant growth as reflected in its current Impact Factor of 3.043.

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 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 work focusing 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 global production networks, industrial clusters and other organizational forms with new implications for economic, social, and environmental processes and outcomes
6. Different forms and disruptive influences of capitalist instability including global civil society, social movements, migration, authoritarian populism, militarism, and climate change
7. Industrial structure and technological change, and its impacts on new forms of competition (such as the rise of platform, gig, algorithmic, monopolistic and surveillance 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 details of contributors, provisional titles and abstracts of potential articles (such as existing draft working papers connected to a conference held recently or about to be held) (Maximum 6 pages)
2. A 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)

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.

A special issue will normally contain 6-8 articles, all of which will be peer reviewed. In instances where special issue submissions are not successful in review, then the editors may decide to offer guest editors and authors the option of turning their special issue into a shorter special section in a regular issue, or to publish individual articles as stand-alone papers.

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

Please submit your proposal by **31 December 2021**.