

First Announcement – Call for Papers

Deadline 14 January 2025, 2 pm Belgian time

Dear EURAM member and friend,

We hope you will join us from 22-25 June 2025 in the **School of Economics and Management** of the University of Florence (Italy).

The EURAM conference theme is "Managing with Purpose":

The debate on the concept of corporate purpose, both from an academic and practice perspective, is on the rise. At its heart lies the notion of striking a balance between the pursuit of profit and the maintenance of a meaningful and lasting purpose. The theory of shareholder value clearly demonstrated the limits of a focus on profit-maximization. Stakeholder theory served to call attention to the value of the voices of other stakeholders but directed a deal of its attention towards the comparison and the balance of different interests. Today, the identification, articulation and maintenance of a meaningful and shared purpose has become a central issue for many organizations. Business leaders are encouraged to embrace the idea that companies must go beyond the profit motive. They must also create value by helping society to provide new solutions to a growing array of challenges.

Managing with Purpose is a strategic assumption that creates value, enhances impact, and fosters longevity. It reflects something more aspirational than the search for profit through economic exchanges. It explains how the people involved in the organization can make the difference, giving them a sense of meaning and drawing their support. It is about people coming together to do something they believe in and allowing profit to follow as a consequence of their collective endeavor rather than being an end in itself. However, despite a growing body of research on the topic, many questions remain. How is Purpose defined? How many purposes can an organization have? How do organizations deliver a sense of purpose to their various internal and external stakeholders and what are the inherent trade-offs that have to be faced? There are no easy answers to these questions. Scholars, leaders, and organizations need to work together to combine and exchange their knowledge and co-create new models and approaches.

To submit your full paper to EURAM 2025

- Explore the tracks sponsored by one of the 13 EURAM Strategic Interest Groups (SIGs) here or by the Local Organising Committee and choose the topic and community that correspond best to your research.
- 2. Respect the deadlines, especially the **paper submission deadline: 14 January 2025 2 pm Belgian time.**
- 3. Ensure compliance with the **authors guidelines**.
- 4. Statement about the use of generative Artificial Intelligence (AI)



I. Explore our SIGs and tracks (for more detail click on the SIG title).

For newcomers to our community: our 13 SIGs are the building blocks of EURAM. SIG Chairs and Officers nurture communities of scholars who are engaged in specific research areas. There are three types of Tracks. General Tracks are the overarching tracks of the SIGs. Standing tracks are ongoing conversations that you can join, and which will continue within a SIG for a number of years. Finally, every year there are Tracks that are selected in a competitive submission and review process (they may become standing tracks in the future if they prove to be of continued interest). Each SIG General Track invites contributions from all areas related to the SIG specific research area but which are not explicitly covered by other tracks within the SIG.

Strategic Interest Groups:

- 1. Business for Society
- GT01_00 Business for Society General Track
- ST01_01 / ST02_01 Rethinking the Responsible Corporation: Bridging Management, Law & Purpose (co-sponsored B4S & CoGo SIGs)
- ST01_02 Performance measurement and management for sustainability
- ST01_03 Finance and Economy for Society: Financial Inclusion, Governance and Sustainability
- ST01_05 Philosophy for business ethics
- ST01_08 Arts & Philosophy for Business and Society
- T01_09 / T06_09 Innovating Pedagogy for Future Challenges in Management Education (co-sponsored B4S / INNO SIGs)
- T01_10 Toward Humanistic Management: Purpose-Driven Companies, Circular Business Models and Community-based Ecosystems
- T01_11 From AI to digital transformation in the Human+ Era: what are the effects on business for society?
- T01_12 Wisdom, Spirituality and Purpose: Nurturing Flourishing within Organizations and Management Education
- T01_13 Navigating intra/inter organizational relationships in the Digital Era: exploring collective intelligence and social identity
- T01_14 Organizing to create value from data collaborations
- T01_15 Managing Diversity and Inclusion In Circular Economies: Exploring Linkages
- T01_16 Climate Solutions and Carbon Management across Management Disciplines



- 2. <u>Corporate Governance</u>
- GT02_00 Corporate Governance General Track
- ST01_01 / ST02_01 Rethinking the Responsible Corporation: Bridging Management, Law & Purpose (co-sponsored B4S & CoGo SIGs)
- ST02_02 Board of Directors, Top Management Teams and Diversity in the C-Suite
- ST02_03 Corporate Governance and Diversity
- T02_04 / T13_09 Purpose-Driven Strategies, Transformation, Corporate Governance, and Resilience (co-sponsored COG & SM SIGs)
- 3. Entrepreneurship
- GT03_00 Entrepreneurship General Track
- ST03_01 / ST06_01/ST13_01 Business Model Strategy, Innovation, and Entrepreneurial Venturing (co-sponsored ENT / INNO / SM SIGs)
- ST03_02 Entrepreneurship Processes: Leveraging innovation to start up
- ST03_03 Entrepreneurial Cognition and Behaviour
- ST03_04 Entrepreneurial Finance
- ST03_05 Entrepreneurship, Regions & Regional Development
- ST03_06 Social and Sustainable Entrepreneurship
- ST03_07 Growth Strategies & Internationalization for SMEs
- T03_08 Entrepreneurial Profiles
- T03_09 Academic Entrepreneurship and Entrepreneurial University
- T03_10 Entrepreneurial Ecosystems
- T03_11 Designing the Future: Entrepreneurship, Life Design and AI
- 4. Family Business Research
- GT04_00 Family Business Research General Track
- ST04_01 Behaviour, Performance, and Sustainability in Family Firms
- ST04_02 Family Business in Emerging, Developing, and Transitional Economies
- T04_03 Navigating the Twin Transition: The Role of Small and Family Businesses in Digital and Green Transformations



- 5. Gender, Race and Diversity in Organisations
- GT05_00 Gender, Race and Diversity in Organisations General Track
- ST05_01 Women & Gender in Work, Organisation & Beyond
- ST05_02 Diversity issues in cultural context
- T05_03 Role of Diversity, Equality and Inclusion in Careers and Leadership
- T05_04 Embracing Diversity: Shaping the Future of Public Organizations

6. Innovation

- GT06_00 Innovation General Track
- ST03_01 / ST06_01 / ST13_01 Business Model Strategy, Innovation, and Entrepreneurial Venturing (co-sponsored ENT / INNO / SM SIGs)
- ST06_03 Digital Innovation: Strategies, Competencies, Theories, and Practice
- ST06_05 Innovation for Sustainability, Circularity and Green-tech
- ST06_07 Open Innovation Engaging Individuals, Communities and Networks
- ST06_08 Managing Creativity for Innovation:
- T01_09 / T06_09 Innovating Pedagogy for Future Challenges in Management Education (co-sponsored B4S / INNO SIGs)
- T06_10 / T12_03 Action Research in Innovation Management and Management Science: Conceptual and Empirical Research Studies (co-sponsored INNO / RMRP SIGs)
- T06_11 Innovation Management in Healthcare: Current Challenges and Future Opportunities for Value Creation
- T06_12 Navigating new product development in an era of collaboration, uncertainty, and technological change
- T06_13 Bridging Academia, Science and Industry for Tomorrow's Breakthroughs
- T06_14 Innovation ecosystems and platforms: Emergence, construction, and persistence, Communities and Networks
- 7. International Management
- GT07_00 International Management General Track
- ST07_01 Global Mobility
- ST07_02 Management and cultures: Qualitative organizational research



- T07_03 International Competitiveness
- 9. Organisational Behaviour & Human Resources Management
- GT09_00 Organisational Behaviour General Track
- ST09_01 Human Resource Management
- ST09_02 Team Performance Management
- ST09_03 Leadership
- T09_04 AI, Big Data, Algorithmic Management and Emerging Tech in Human Resources Management, Employment Relations and Organizational Behaviour
- T09_05 Addressing the interplay of organizational structures and behaviors: aligning the stars
- T09_06 Exploring power dynamics in modern-organizations: a multi-level approach
- T09_07 Sustainable HRM and Responsible Ways of Working
- T09_08 Responsible and Human-centered Artificial Intelligence in Business Ethics Standards, Processes and Behaviours

10. Project Organising

- GT10_00 Project Organising General Track
- ST10_01 Multi-level Perspectives on Major and Megaprojects
- ST10_02 Project and Society
- T10_03 The 'bright' and 'dark' side of organising projects: Addressing societal and humanitarian concerns.
- T10_04 Transforming Project Management: Embracing Agility, Digitalization, and Artificial Intelligence
- T10_05 Project Leadership with Purpose

11. Public & Non-Profit Management

- GT11_00 Public and Non-Profit Management General Track
- ST11_01 Accounting, Auditing and Sustainability in Public and Hybrid Organizations
- ST11_02 Healthcare Management Research
- ST11_03 Management and governance of culture, heritage and tourism



- T11_04 Exploring Organizational Purposes: Multifunctional Approaches to Resilience, Leadership, and Management Practice
- T11_05 Digital Transformation in the Public Sector

12. Research Methods and Research Practice

- GT12_00 Research Methods and Research Practice General Track
- ST12_01 Coevolutionary and Ecosystem Perspectives
- ST12_02 Research Methods for Complex Adaptive Systems
- T06_10 / T12_03 Action Research in Innovation Management and Management Science: Conceptual and Empirical Research Studies (co-sponsored INNO / RMRP SIGs)
- T12_04 Management History, Theory, and Philosophy
- T12_05 Performance Management: research methods and research practice
- T12_06 Tourism research and practice: trends and transitions
- T12_07 Natural language processing, machine learning and bibliometric methods in management research

13. Strategic Management

- GT13_00 Strategic Management General Track
- ST03_01 / ST06_01 / ST13_01 Business Model Strategy, Innovation, and Entrepreneurial Venturing (co-sponsored ENT / INNO / SM SIGs)
- ST13_03 CENA Coopetition, Ecosystems, Networks and Alliances
- ST13_04 Mergers & Acquisitions and Divestitures: A Glimpse into the Future
- ST13_05 Microfoundations of Strategy: Dynamic Capabilities, Behavioural Strategy and Knowledge Mechanisms
- ST13_06 Strategic Ambidexterity: solving the tensions between existing and new processes
- ST13_07 Strategic Processes and Practices
- ST13_08 Artificial Intelligence, data and digital ecosystems
- T02_04 / T13_09 Purpose-Driven Strategies, Transformation, Corporate Governance, and Resilience (co-sponsored COGO & SM SIGs)
- T13_10 Supply chain strategies for a sustainable business



- T13_11 -Sport Management with Purpose
- T13_12 From Division of Labour to Division of Agents? Exploring AI-human Interplay in Dynamic Capabilities

14. Conference Theme: Managing with Purpose

- GT14_00 General Track Managing with Purpose
- T14_01 Artificial Intelligence and Human Values
- T14_02 Internationalizing with purpose
- T14_03 General Management and Management Learning: Science and Education for Purpose
- T14_04 Managing with Purpose through Authenticity
- T14_05 The Responsibilities of Upper Echelons in Managing for Financial and Social Purpose

II. Deadline

Please respect the deadlines, especially the paper submission deadline: **14 January 2025 – 2 pm Belgian time.**

III. Authors' Guidelines for Full Papers

To ensure that it is possible to publish your paper in the proceedings it is essential that all authors strictly follow the <u>guidelines</u> and formatting instructions for both preparation and submission of all papers.

For EURAM 2025, the abstracts and full papers will be published in e-format and for the latter, accessible for registered delegates only.

The proceedings will carry the ISSN 2466-7498 and ISBN 978-2-9602195-7-9.

Each paper will be screened to ensure compliance with EURAM's guidelines. Papers which do not match the EURAM requirements will be desk-rejected, and authors will not have the opportunity to submit an updated version.

Please read below instructions carefully prior to submitting and remember to select at least one of the **Sustainable Development Goals** your research addresses (UN SDGs):

- 1. Each paper can only be submitted to ONE track.
- 2. Submitted papers must not have been previously presented at a EURAM annual Conference (unless there are significant changes from the original presented proposal).



Submitted papers must not have been published or accepted for publication before the EURAM annual Conference (neither in print nor online, in any form – online preprint, working paper, etc.)

- 3. To facilitate the blind review process, **remove ALL authors identifying information** (names, affiliations etc.), including acknowledgements from the text, and document/file properties (any submissions with author information will be automatically DELETED; author information and acknowledgements are to be included in the submission form).
- 4. The **abstract** should not exceed **400 words** and should be included both in the PDF and the submission form.
- 5. Include 3 keywords in the submission form. A maximum of 6 keywords is allowed.
- 6. The entire paper (title page, abstract, main text, figures, tables, references, etc.) must be in ONE anonymised document created in PDF format.
- 7. The **maximum length** of the paper is **40 pages** (including ALL tables, appendices and references). The **minimum length** of the paper is **10 pages**.
- 8. Use **Times New Roman 12-pitch font**, **double spaced**, and 1-inch (2.5 cm) margin all around.
- 9. Number all the pages of the paper.
- 10. **No changes** in the paper title, abstract, authorship, track and actual paper can occur AFTER the submission deadline.
- Check that the PDF File of your paper prints correctly and ensure that the file is virusfree. Submissions will be done on-line on the EURAM 2025 submission system (platform opens on 1st of December).
- 12. Only submissions in **English** shall be accepted for review.
- 13. In case of acceptance, the author or one of the co-authors should be available to present the paper at the conference. A **presenting author*** can only present one paper at the conference.
- 14. If you submit a paper, you agree to **review at least two papers** for EURAM 2025 in the track you have submitted your paper to.

* ONE PRESENTING AUTHOR = ONE PAPER

Each individual is limited to one personal appearance on the programme as a presenting author. This policy precludes acceptance of papers for more than one presentation. In other words, an author can submit and present only one paper. However, a presenter can always be a non-presenting co-author on additional papers.



IV. Statement about the use of generative Artificial Intelligence (AI)

EURAM does not prohibit, in principle the use of generative AI to support research activities. The use of AI to generate ideas and /or research questions, to analyse data, to support writing or for any other purposes in a submission to EURAM should be transparently disclosed in the manuscript, preferably in the literature review and/or methods sections (it has to be visible for the reader and reviewers).

Authors using AI in any step of their research process are responsible for ensuring the accuracy of AI-generated materials. AI tools cannot be listed as an author of a paper. AI tools used should be listed in the bibliography indicating: Author of the AI programme, year of the programme version used (in brackets), Name of AI (in italics), Version, if applicable (in brackets), Publisher, if different from the author, URL, if applicable. Please refer to the example below:

Open AI (2024) ChatGPT 40 (version September 2024), https://chat.openai.com

Upon submission of the paper on EURAM's platform, the corresponding author will have to fill in a self-declaration statement form to document whether AI tools have been used or not. If AI tools have been used, the corresponding author will then specify in which of the different steps of the research process they were used:

- Conceptualization and literature review
- Design of research and (field) research protocol
- Data collection, field research activities
- Resources and analysis tools
- Data curation, data analysis, formal analysis
- Use of software for data analysis
- Discussion of research results
- Analysis of potential for replication/ reproducibility
- Preparation of draft article
- Review of draft versions of the article
- Generation of diagrams/ tables/ visualizations
- Research project management and project administration

and will disclose precisely the reasons for this use.

Should you have any hesitation on which track to select for your paper, you may wish to <u>contact</u> <u>a track chair</u> by email to find the best fit for your submission.



For more information, we invite you to visit the <u>conference website</u>. For general questions, you may contact <u>info@euram.academy</u>.

Best wishes,

On behalf of the <u>Local Organising Committee</u>, Andrea Paci, EURAM 2025 Co-Chair Sara De Masi, EURAM 2025 Co-Chair