

**Call for Papers for a Special issue of IJITM on:
Knowledge Sharing within Knowledge Intensive
Organizations**

The role that knowledge plays in an organization first became a focus of attention in the mid 1990s. Soon, the notion of knowledge sharing and knowledge management in general became the focus of critical attention, particularly with regard to the role that information technology was able to play, the feasibility of actually sharing knowledge and with the failure to take the political dimension of such activities into account. While some of the pioneers have been prompted to revisit their earlier work there has not yet been a systematic attempt to reassess the issue of knowledge sharing in knowledge-intensive organizations as a whole in the light of current technologies and organizational forms; it is this that this special issue of IJITM seeks to address.

Articles for this special issue might include articles that examine the problems associated with sharing knowledge (either face to face or technologically mediated), the role that knowledge sharing plays in such organizations (through encouraging innovations, as part of a competitive strategy, etc) or the nature of the knowledge sharing itself. The common theme for all of the articles is that they should attempt to place insights gained from current theory and practice within the framework of previous work in the same area.

Specific topics might include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Knowledge sharing and knowledge management systems
- Knowledge sharing communities
- Knowledge sharing in collaborative work environments
- Knowledge sharing strategies and organizational structure
- Knowledge sharing within or across organizational boundaries
- Modeling of human knowledge processes and systems
- Social and political aspects of knowledge sharing
- Social software and knowledge sharing
- Systems design issues including stakeholder requirements and participation
- HRM issues related to innovation and knowledge sharing

Submission Procedures

All papers are peer reviewed. Prospective authors are encouraged to submit a short (1 page) abstract to the Guest Editors (chris.kimble@euromed-management.com, isabelle.bourdon@polytech.univ-montp2.fr) for feedback on the suitability of their proposed article. Full papers should be submitted via the IJITM web site

Key Dates

Submission of paper for review: 29 April, 2011
Comments from referees: 1 July, 2011
Submission of revised paper: 15 September, 2011

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