SPACE ECONOMY COMMUNITY · AOM 2027

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

ADVANCING MANAGEMENT RESEARCH THROUGH THE SPACE ECONOMY

87th Academy of Management Annual Meeting. An invitation to scholars, researchers, industry professionals, entrepreneurs, and policymakers to contribute to the Space Economy Community program.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE	ANNUAL MEETING	LOCATION
12 JANUARY 2027	30 JUL – 3 AUG 2027	VIENNA, AUSTRIA

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ACADEMY OF Management

THE INVITATION

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The Space Economy Community invites scholars, researchers, industry professionals, entrepreneurs, and policymakers to contribute to its program at the 2027 Academy of Management (AOM) Annual Meeting.

The rapid growth of the Space Economy presents unprecedented opportunities to advance our understanding of management, including but not limited to strategy, entrepreneurship, innovation, and organizations. Characterized by extreme uncertainty, capital-intensive innovation, long development horizons, complex technological interdependencies, and evolving relationships between public and private actors, the Space Economy provides a distinctive setting for investigating important theoretical and managerial questions.

> **We particularly welcome research that uses the Space Economy as a phenomenon, context, or empirical setting to develop, extend, challenge, or test theories in management and related disciplines.**
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> Contributions need not focus exclusively on space-specific phenomena. Research that draws on the distinctive characteristics of the Space Economy to address broader theoretical and managerial questions is strongly encouraged.

The community places particular value on **engagement between academia and the space industry**, seeking to connect theoretical developments with practical realities, identify emerging research opportunities, and foster sustained collaboration among scholars, industry professionals, entrepreneurs, and policymakers.

FOUR WAYS TO TAKE PART

SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

01 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP (PDW)

FLAGSHIP WORKSHOP

Building on the success of the 2025 and 2026 workshops, the Space Economy Community will organize one flagship PDW, ***Advancing Management Research Through the Space Economy***, at AOM 2027.

The workshop will bring together leading management scholars, space industry executives, entrepreneurs, and policymakers through keynote discussions, industry and academic panels, and interactive research roundtables. It aims to connect emerging industry phenomena with management theories, identify promising research questions and methodological approaches, and facilitate collaborative, publication-oriented research across AOM divisions, interest groups, and communities.

PLEASE NOTE

This will be the Space Economy Community's only PDW at AOM 2027 and will be organized by the Space Economy Community's central organizing team. No additional PDW submissions will be accepted through this call.

02 SYMPOSIA

BRIDGING MANAGEMENT THEORY AND SPACE INDUSTRY PRACTICE

We welcome symposia exploring important theoretical questions, emerging phenomena, and managerial or organizational challenges in the Space Economy through complementary scholarly and practitioner perspectives.

We strongly encourage symposium organizers to involve space industry professionals as active contributors, including executives, entrepreneurs, and policymakers. Such engagement should foster dialogue between management theories and industry realities, allowing practical experiences to inform theoretical development and scholarly insights to contribute to practice.

Both presenter and panel symposia are welcome. Proposals should demonstrate a coherent intellectual theme, complementary perspectives, and the potential to advance management scholarship through meaningful academic–industry dialogue.

AOM SYMPOSIUM SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

03 PAPERS

FULL SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTIONS

We invite conceptual, empirical, theoretical, phenomenon-driven, and methodological papers that advance management scholarship through the study of the Space Economy.

Submissions should articulate a compelling research question, relevant theoretical framing, appropriate research design and methods where applicable, findings, and contributions to theory and/or practice. We particularly encourage papers that use space-related phenomena to generate theoretical insights relevant beyond the space sector.

AOM PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

04 POSTERS

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL TRACKS

We welcome poster submissions across two complementary tracks, accommodating emerging scholarly research and practice-oriented contributions.

ACADEMIC TRACK

EMERGING RESEARCH AND WORK IN PROGRESS

We invite early-stage conceptual, empirical, phenomenon-driven, and methodological research addressing theoretically meaningful questions through the Space Economy.

Submissions should identify the research question or principal topic, theoretical framing, research design or methods where applicable, preliminary or expected findings, and intended contributions. Work in progress is welcome, provided that it has a sufficiently developed direction to benefit from developmental feedback.

PROFESSIONAL TRACK

MANAGERIAL CHALLENGES AND INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

We invite space industry professionals, entrepreneurs, policymakers, public agencies, and other participants to present managerial or organizational challenges and distinctive solutions.

Submissions should explain (1) the challenge, (2) why it matters, (3) the proposed or implemented solution, and (4) what makes the approach distinctive and valuable to others. Both implemented solutions and well-developed proposals are welcome.

AOM POSTER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

THEMES

AREAS OF INTEREST

Submissions are **encouraged, but not limited to,** the following areas:

01 Business Models and Commercialization

02 Ecosystems, Platforms, and Orchestration

03 Coopetition and Competitive Dynamics

04 Open and Multi-Actor Innovation

05 Contracts, Procurement, and Governance

06 Entrepreneurship and Institutions, including Dual-Use Technologies

07 International Space Business

08 Power, Political Economy, and Alternative Organizational Forms

09 Teams, Leadership, and High-Reliability Organizing

10 Work, Well-Being, and Identity in Frontier and Extreme Contexts

11 Space, Security, and Resilient Infrastructure

12 Sustainability and Commons Governance

13 Phenomenon-Driven Research

14 Methods, Data, and Research Design

HOW TO SUBMIT

SUBMISSION AND REVIEW GUIDELINES

All submissions must be made through the **Academy of Management Submission Centre**, selecting **Space Economy Community** as the receiving community and the appropriate submission category: **Papers, Posters, or Symposia**.

Submissions must comply with AOM's official formatting, eligibility, anonymization, and submission requirements. Papers and symposia will undergo formal peer review, overseen by the Space Economy Community Program Chair and its review team.

Poster submissions are welcomed under either the Academic or Professional Track. Authors should indicate their intended track where the submission system permits.

For complete submission requirements, please consult the AOM Submission Guidelines.

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12 JANUARY 2027

AOM SUBMISSION INFORMATION
aom.org/events/annual-meeting/submitting

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