

ASQ Paper Development Workshop (PDW) Call For Papers

Organizations amid social, political, and technological changes

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Social, political, and technological transformations are challenging long-standing assumptions about how organizations are constituted, coordinated, and governed. These developments call for renewed theoretical attention to how organizations define boundaries, exercise authority, develop expertise, sustain legitimacy, and navigate interorganizational relationships.

This Paper Development Workshop welcomes theoretical and empirical research that examines how organizations and their members navigate, interpret, and respond to these transformations. We encourage interdisciplinary perspectives that advance organization theory across multiple levels of analysis.

We welcome a broad selection of both macro and micro topics, including but not limited to the following:

1. Work, Professions, and the Changing Social Order

- How workers and occupational groups renegotiate expertise, status, identity, and jurisdiction as social expectations, market pressures, and technologies reshape the meaning and value of work.

2. Political Contestation in Organizational Life

- How polarization, state intervention, geopolitical conflict, corruption, distrust, and rule-of-law uncertainty enter organizational life and reshape sensemaking, authority, identity, wrongdoing, and interorganizational ties.

3. AI, Authority, and the Future of Organizing

- How AI redistributes authority, accountability, coordination, learning, and agency as humans and technologies jointly participate in organizational action.

Participants From the Journal

Beth Bechky Editor-in-Chief at ASQ University of California, Davis		Adam Kleinbaum Deputy Editor at ASQ Dartmouth College	
Amanda Sharkey Associate Editor at ASQ University of Notre Dame		Christina Ahmadjian Former Associate Editor at ASQ Hitotsubashi University	
Chris Yenkey Editorial Board Member at ASQ, Associate Editor at MS University of South Carolina	Danqing Wang Editorial Board Member at ASQ, Senior Editor at OS and MOR The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	Pavel Zhelyazkov Editorial Board Member at ASQ, Associate Editor at MS and SMJ The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	

Paper Submission

We invite prospective participants to submit a **full, original working paper** (not previously submitted elsewhere; proposals will not be considered) by **October 15, 2026**. Please submit your paper as a **single PDF file**, including a cover page with all authors' names, e-mail addresses, and affiliations, to asqpdw@ust.hk. Notification of acceptance will be sent by **November 15, 2026**.

Program Information

The program includes a keynote speech by ASQ editors and a round of paper development workshops in the morning, followed by a second round of workshops and a **Top Journal Editors' Panel** in the afternoon. **The panel will bring together the Editor-in-Chief of ASQ and editors representing four other leading management journals: MS, AMJ, JIBS, OS, and SMJ.**

Top Journal Editors' Panel

Beth Bechky Editor-in-Chief at ASQ University of California, Davis	Jiatao Li Department Editor at MS The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	Wu Liu Associate Editor at AMJ The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Xufei Ma Reviewing Editor at JIBS The Chinese University of Hong Kong	Yanbo Wang Senior Editor at OS The University of Hong Kong	Filippo Carlo Wezel Associate Editor at SMJ The University of Hong Kong

Refreshments and lunch will be provided at the PDW. Participants are responsible for their own travel and accommodation costs.

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