

CALL FOR PAPERS

for the

5th Annual Conference on Risk Governance

with the general theme

Roles and Actors in Risk Governance

Since 2013, risk governance has been a major research focus at the University of Siegen, a topic concerning the sustainable, strategic directing of risks that adds value to the corporate functions of risk management, internal auditing, compliance, and corporate governance. The past four annual conferences on risk governance have discussed and further developed the relevance of risk governance at the corporate level.

The **5th Annual Conference on Risk Governance** at the University of Siegen is scheduled for October 5–6, 2017. Researchers and practitioners are again cordially invited to submit proposals for presentations at the conference.

The general theme of this year's conference is "Roles and Actors in Risk Governance." Though risk governance has been highlighted as a relevant issue at the economic and political levels for over a decade now (e.g., Renn, 2008; van Asselt and Renn, 2011) and has recently been conceptualized for corporations (Stein and Wiedemann, 2016), its application to organizations and academic research still seems to be in its infancy (Cohen, 2015; Mongiardino and Plath, 2010). As some recent conceptual research has suggested, risk governance at the organizational level may close the gap between the "institutionally oriented field of corporate governance and the methodologically oriented area of risk management" (Baule and Fandel, 2016, p. 809). Risk governance can thus be understood as a third track, alongside corporate governance and risk management, that aims to offer a more strategic and holistic approach to risk.

One important aspect of institutionalizing risk governance is the actors involved, since only through them can risk governance be put into practice (Gatzert and Schmit, 2016; Stein and Wiedemann, 2016). Because risk governance is not confined to more traditional, potentially isolated risk-management practices but is instead envisioned as part of the work of top management and directors, a broad range of actors can and should be involved in risk governance. At the same time, this resultantly dense web of actors requires much more research to gain clearer understanding of the roles and actors involved in risk governance and to develop concrete suggestions for management practice. Thus, this year's Annual Conference on Risk Governance aims to shed more light on this very subject.

In 2017, the conference will be associated with a special issue of the *Journal of Risk Finance*, which will also focus on "Roles and Actors in Risk Governance." This special issue's call for papers can be found at: http://www.emeraldgroupublishing.com/products/journals/call_for_papers.htm?id=6991.

Manuscripts not disclosing the identities of their authors can be submitted to the conference, to the special issue, or to both. Thus, participation at the conference is not required for submission to the special issue. Details and electronic addresses for submissions may be found in the below timetable. More information on risk governance research at the University of Siegen is at: <http://www.riskgovernance.de/>. The first day of the conference will presumably focus on topics with strong links to practice, while the second day of the conference will be more research-focused.

Timetable

June 30, 2017	Submission deadline for the conference (via e-mail to risk.governance@uni-siegen.de)
August 15, 2017	Confirmation of acceptance or rejection for the conference shared with authors
October 5–6, 2017	5 th Annual Conference on Risk Governance
November 30, 2017	Submission deadline for the special issue in the <i>Journal of Risk Finance</i> (via http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/jrf)
Late 2018/ Early 2019	Intended publication of the special issue in the <i>Journal of Risk Finance</i>

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