



CALL FOR SPECIAL ISSUE PROPOSALS

Competition and Change is hereby inviting proposals for special issues for the years 2017, 2018, and 2019. The journal is expecting to publish six special issues during this period. Special issue proposals need to focus on an area of research that falls within the broad scope of the journal and adds value in terms of addressing new or under-explored topics that reflect recent theoretical and empirical developments within broad areas described in the scope and thematic focus of the journal below. This list of topics is not exhaustive and the editors in chief are open to consider other relevant ideas with the broader fields of relevance to *Competition and Change*.

Thematic focus of *Competition and Change*

Competition and Change is an international peer-reviewed journal, uniquely featuring theoretical, empirical and policy oriented research that aims to develop an understanding of the causes and consequences of competition and change with respect to globalization, financialization and broader conceptualizations of restructuring capitalist relations. The journal is inter-disciplinary and welcomes contributions from a wide range of social science disciplines, including heterodox economics, political economy, critical research on work, management and organization, economic geography, sociology, development studies and international relations. In particular, we are interested in research and scholarly work that focuses on:

1. The nature of contemporary capitalism, including its organizational and spatial dynamics and their gendered effects
2. The drivers, mechanisms, and uneven impacts of globalization and social change
3. The changing configuration of state-market-civil society relations, including diverse forms of governance, regulation, resistance, and social welfare
4. The forms, processes and consequences of financialization
5. Global value chains and production networks, industrial clusters and other organizational forms with new implications for economic, social, and environmental upgrading.
6. Different forms and disruptive influences of capitalist instability including global civil society, social movements, migration, and climate change.
7. Industrial structure, nature of competition and performance within and across national/regional economies
8. How global political economy shapes, and is shaped by, the worlds of work, organization, society, and nature

Guidelines for Special Issue Proposals

Competition and Change is inviting scholars in social science to submit special issue proposals falling within its aims and scope (For details click on the following link: <https://uk.sagepub.com/en-gb/eur/journal/competition-change#description>)

Proposals can be submitted in two different forms:

1. A full proposal with brief details of potential articles and contributors (Maximum 6 pages, min 11 font size, min 1.5 space)
2. A fairly well developed proposal that can be further publicised for the appeal of potential contributors by the authors/editors of the proposed special issue. (Maximum 3 pages, min 11 font size, min 1.5 space)

All proposals should include a provisional title, names and affiliations of guest-editors and provide a timeline for the submission of the full volume of the special issue. A detailed account of the aims of the collection, its appeal and currency for the readers of *Competition and Change* should be provided in the proposals. More importantly, the proposals must explain what is original, new and noteworthy about the proposed collection. Full proposals should also provide the details of contributors, provisional titles and abstracts of papers.

All articles to be published as part of a special issue will undergo double-blind review. Each special issue will usually contain 5 to 6 articles. Please note that some articles may not be accepted for publication. When this is the case, the Editors can decide to turn the special issue into a special section in a regular collection, or publish individual articles as stand-alone papers.

All proposals must be sent in the first instance to Leo McCann. leo.mccann@manchester.ac.uk

There are two **deadlines**:

For special issues intended for publication in 2017, please submit your proposal by **30 November 2016**.

For special issues intended for publication in 2018 and 2019 please submit your proposal by **31 April 2017**.