

Perspectives

Special Call for Proposals **Doomsday Scenarios**

Submission Deadline: January 31, 2019

Background

Economic shocks such as recession and new technology occur in a clockwork-like fashion, so that we are now sufficiently familiar with how they operate. For example, although each recession is different, there are typically some common features, such as reduced consumption, job loss, and asset deflations. That said, there are doomsday scenarios, hints of which we have experienced, that have been unexplored in management research. *Examples* include,

- Climate change on a scale as to make one or more mega-cities (e.g., Beijing, New Delhi, Los Angeles, Mexico City) uninhabitable in the future, with unimaginable implications for firms and individuals located there.
- Infectious diseases for which therapies no longer work (e.g., MDR-TB, MRSA, SARS), with severe consequences for population mobility, and economic and political stability.
 Combined with increasingly concentrated urban centers, the resulting rapid collapse would upend the way we think about economic organization.
- Concentration in supply chains, coupled with trade wars among large industrial societies, can rapidly escalate into hot wars. Instant media accelerates these progressions such that traditional mechanisms such as multilateral governance bodies are ineffective, leading to tremendous social and economic consequences for firms and individuals.

In this special call, we invite proposals for papers or symposia that will explore similar issues in relation to management and organization. Following the AMP mission statement, papers are to be written in a discursive style, interdisciplinary, evidence based and relevant for scholars. We strongly encourage submissions with clear policy implications. Proposals should adhere to AMP's <u>Information for Contributors</u> guidelines. Please include "AMP Special Call" in the subject line in the letter to the editor along with one-paragraph author biographies. Symposia proposals should include a statement that all authors in the proposal commit to submitting full papers.

Authors wishing to discuss their ideas for proposals could contact the action editor, Prof. Geoffrey Wood at gtwood@essex.ac.uk or the editor, Prof. Phillip H. Phan at pphan@jhu.edu.

Key Dates

Deadline for submission of proposals : January 31, 2019
Deadline for submission of papers (if proposal accepted) : June 15, 2019
Expected date of publication : 2021/2022