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## 18<sup>th</sup> Corporate Responsibility Research Conference

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: Where now for corporate responsibility research? \*\*\*Deadline extended to 24 June\*\*\***

22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2022 (with PhD workshop on afternoon of 21<sup>st</sup> September)

The CRR Conference is the longest running academic conference on Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability.

The inaugural conference was held in Belfast, and so, the Centre for Leadership, Ethics and Organisation (CLEO) at Queen's Management School, Belfast, is delighted to host the 18<sup>th</sup> edition of the conference (fully in-person) back in Belfast in September 2022.

In association with ESCP Business School, Kedge Business School, and the Sustainability Research Institute at the University of Leeds, the conference promises to be a lively and relaxed environment within which to discuss, debate and reflect on 'Where now for corporate responsibility research?'

### **Conference Theme: Where now for Corporate Responsibility Research?**

The theme of the conference reflects the significant changes that business, government and society have been experiencing over the last number of years. Global concerns such as climate change, the recent experiences of the pandemic, the war in Ukraine, the power and potential of artificial intelligence, social justice and human rights continue to keep the leadership and behaviours of the public, private and third sectors in the spotlight. These concerns are reflected in the significant and growing body of research in corporate responsibility and sustainability with many powerful observations being made.

The conference gives us an opportunity to reflect on what we know, to discuss our current research findings, both theoretical and empirical, and to explore where corporate responsibility research might lead us in the next 5-10 years.

We welcome both theoretical and empirical focused papers that reflect the diverse and eclectic nature of research in corporate responsibility and sustainability. Topics include, but are not limited to:

Business Ethics and Sustainability

Corporate Responsibility and Managing Stakeholders

Corporate Sustainability Performance, Integrated Reporting and Social Reporting  
 Education for Corporate Responsibility and Sustainability  
 Micro Level Corporate Responsibility  
 International Corporate Responsibility  
 Leadership and Corporate Responsibility and Sustainability  
 Sustainable Consumption  
 Social Enterprises, Social Innovation and Sustainability  
 Corporate Responsibility, Sustainability and the Natural Environment  
 UN Sustainable Development Goals at national and organizational level

We would be delighted if you were able to develop and share your ideas (both fully-fledged ideas and those that are more embryonic) and discuss your research findings, in the beautiful surroundings of Riddel Hall. We can't promise you sunshine, but we can promise you a very warm welcome and many opportunities to network and engage with other researchers.

### Important Dates

~~7<sup>th</sup> June 2022~~

**Now extended to 24 June 2022**

Deadline for abstract submission

By 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022

Notification of accepted abstracts if submitted by 7 June 2022 and Conference registration opens

**By 1 July 2022**

**Notification of accepted abstracts if submitted between 8<sup>th</sup> June to 24<sup>th</sup> June**

**Final decisions re PhD Conference Scholarships**

11 August

Early Bird Registration closes

15 August 2022

Deadline for full papers

8 September 2022

Final Deadline for Conference Registration

21 September 2022  
 22 and 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

Pre-Conference PhD Workshop  
 Corporate Responsibility Research Conference

## Conference Fees:

Delegate:	Early Bird Rate £300;	£350 (after 11 August)
PhD Student	Early Bird Rate £250;	£300 (after 11 August)

*The conference fee includes attendance at the conference dinner on evening of 22<sup>nd</sup> September.*

We are delighted to announce that we have 4 competitive scholarships to support doctoral students who wish to **attend and present** at the conference. Two scholarships will cover the cost of the conference fee only, and two will cover the cost of the conference fee plus up to a maximum of 3 nights' accommodation in a local hotel (terms and conditions apply).

## Developing and submitting your abstract

Abstracts should be emailed to [crrconference2022@qub.ac.uk](mailto:crrconference2022@qub.ac.uk) on or before **7<sup>th</sup> June deadline**.

Files should be sent in MS Word format, and the file name should be first author's surname. Please include the names, affiliations and contact details for all authors.

Abstracts should be approximately 750 words, excluding any references, and follow, as closely as possible, the format below:

### **Title of the Abstract**

**Research Aim or Question** and context setting: What is the research question that your abstract (and paper) is hoping to address?

**Theoretical Framework:** What are the main concepts, models or theories used in the paper?

### **Design/Methodology/Approach**

**Findings:** What are the main outcomes and results of the paper?

**Relevance, value and Impact of the research** (theoretical, practical and/or social implications)

Citations in text and referencing should use Harvard style formatting.

Abstracts will be reviewed and selected by the scientific committee of the conference and authors notified of the decision on or before 21<sup>st</sup> June.

## Doctoral Students Applying for a Scholarship

If you wish to be considered for a scholarship, you must be a full-time registered doctoral student, at the time of application. At the same time as submitting your abstract, you should also submit a separate MS Word document explaining, in no more than 750 words, why receiving one of the scholarships is important for you and your research.

The scientific committee will review all scholarship applications and the successful recipients will be notified on or before ~~24<sup>th</sup> June~~ **1 July**.

## Developing and Submitting your Conference Paper: Guidelines

Final conference papers of approximately 6,000 words, including references, should be saved, preferably in PDF format, and emailed to [crrconference2022@qub.ac.uk](mailto:crrconference2022@qub.ac.uk) on or before 15 August.

The first page of the file should contain the title and the names, affiliations, and contact details for all authors. It would also be helpful to include 3-5 keywords.

The remainder of the paper should be structured broadly following the same format as for the abstract. Citations in text and referencing should follow the Harvard style

This file should be emailed to [crrconference2022@qub.ac.uk](mailto:crrconference2022@qub.ac.uk) on or before, 15<sup>th</sup> August.

Please note that papers will not be accepted or appear in the programme unless speaker(s) have registered, in full, for the conference.

### Pre-Conference PhD Workshop

The popular, pre-conference PhD Workshop will be held on the afternoon of the 21<sup>st</sup> September in Queen's Management School, Riddel, Hall, Belfast. This workshop is particularly beneficial for doctoral students who are attending the conference for the first time but is equally valuable for those who have attended in previous years. This annual workshop provides a relaxed and informal environment to allow lively exchange and discussion between PhD students as well as the opportunity to gain helpful advice and feedback from a panel of experienced doctoral supervisors.

### Best Paper Awards

The scientific committee of the conference will review all papers presented and award two prizes: CRRC Best Overall Paper and the CRRC Best Paper from a Doctoral Student, at the conference dinner. The focus will centre on contribution of the research to the current body of knowledge, quality of the research and discussion of insights, innovativeness, and diversity of views.

Please feel free to get in touch at [crrconference2022@qub.ac.uk](mailto:crrconference2022@qub.ac.uk) if you have any queries, or if we can help you in any way.

You can also find additional information here - [a detailed website](#).

We are really looking forward to seeing you in Belfast in September

Shirley-Ann Hazlett

Conference Chair

