



AJBS

The Association of Japanese Business Studies
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2022 CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT & CALL FOR PAPERS

July 5-6, 2022 – Online

Extended Submission Deadline: February 25, 2022

Program Chair: K. Skylar Powell, Western Washington University

AJBS will hold its 34th Annual virtually/online. The conference will run from July 5th-6th. The Program Chair for this year's conference is K. Skylar Powell, from Western Washington University, USA.

About AJBS: From its genesis as an informal network in 1982, AJBS was officially organized and held its first conference at the Wharton Business School in January, 1987. AJBS holds annual conferences at venues throughout the world, providing an opportunity for discussion of current developments and research on a range of business, public policy and teaching issues related to Japan. Papers for AJBS conference presentation are double blind peer reviewed. Accepted papers are considered for publication in the journal, Asian Business & Management (ABM). AJBS welcomes scholars, students and practitioners from all disciplinary backgrounds who are interested in Japanese business issues.

Submission types: AJBS welcomes papers and panel proposals. Earlier stage papers may be submitted for inclusion in interactive sessions. Later stage, fully developed papers should be submitted for competitive sessions. Please note that final assignment to interactive or competitive sessions depends on reviewer inputs and other considerations.

AJBS will consider submissions that have already been presented elsewhere, but not published in a journal or book. Authors are

encouraged to consider submitting a paper tailored to the specialized audience at the AJBS conference.

Panel proposals are also welcomed. Panels should be focused upon topics relevant to Japanese business. Also included in the topics welcomed are those relating to what the rest of the world can learn from Japanese business. The panelists must have relevant expertise or background to inform the proposed topic. Panel proposals should include the names and affiliation of the panelists, a brief bio for each panelist, a description of the purpose of the panel, and an overview of the topics to be addressed. Panel submissions are not blind.

Submission Deadline: Friday, February 25, 2022. Please submit your paper or panel proposal via the AJBS online submission system (<https://meetings.aib.msu.edu/ajbs/2022/>). The submission system is currently open.

We kindly ask you to upload your paper in MS-Word format. Submissions must be on letter paper (8.5"x11" or 216x279 mm), with double-spaced text and a font size of 11 points or larger.

For papers, please follow the JIBS style guide (<https://www.palgrave.com/gp/journal/41267/authors/submission>).

Please submit papers in MS-Word format (if MS-Word format is not available, please use a basic text format that can be easily converted to MS-Word. Please do not submit papers in PDF format.). To facilitate the blind review process, remove ALL author-identifying information from the papers. Papers will be double-blind reviewed, with the conference papers selected and authors notified by Early-April, 2022.

Conference Registration: We are considering the online conference fee that would be different from fees for previous onsite AJBS conferences, but similar to the 2021 online conference fee. Participants will not have to pay for the AIB conference in order to participate in this year's AJBS conference. Once we have decided, we will announce the online conference fee as well as AJBS annual membership fee.

Asian Business & Management: In 2003 AJBS established a partnership with the journal Asian Business & Management (ABM), published by Palgrave Macmillan in the U.K. As in recent years, the editor of ABM, together with the AJBS conference committee, will select several papers from this year's conference program to be considered for publication in ABM.

Palgrave Macmillan – AJBS Best Paper Award: Palgrave Macmillan has sponsored a 'Best Paper' prize at the annual AJBS meetings. The Best Paper Committee will review the finalist papers and select the winning paper.

For questions regarding conference papers and submissions, please contact K. Skylar Powell (Skylar.Powell@wwu.edu). For questions or comments regarding AJBS or conference registration, please contact AJBS.org@gmail.com or the AJBS President, Tomoki Sekiguchi (tomoki@econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp).