Corporate Governance: An International Review invites proposals for special issues that focus on a specific area of research that has broad appeal and fits with the aims and scope of the journal. The mission of CGIR is to publish cutting-edge international business research on the phenomena of corporate governance throughout the global economy. We define corporate governance broadly as the exercise of power over corporate entities so as to increase the value provided to the organization’s various stakeholders, as well as making those stakeholders accountable for acting responsibly with regard to the protection, generation, and distribution of wealth invested in the firm.

Special issue subjects have to be broad enough to attract general interest and sufficiently focused to be dealt within a single issue. In general, special issues should avoid a too narrow geographic focus and be open to contributions with various disciplinary framings, methods or levels of analysis. Special issues have to be the outcome of an open call for papers and must not be restricted to scholars who can attend a particular conference. Nonetheless, offering a paper development workshop for submitted manuscripts or revised submissions could be helpful (but is not necessary) in increasing the quality of contributions and meeting the high standards of CGIR that accepts about 5% of all submissions.

Proposals of special issues have to be emailed to CGIR@wiley.com by August 1, 2021, indicating “CGIR Special Issue Proposal” in the header of the email. The proposal needs to include:

1. A draft call for papers including the (provisional) title of the special issue and outlining its subject, relevance and novelty, as well as the scope of articles sought for (including potential subthemes to be addressed in the special issue);
2. Short CVs of the proposed Guest Editors (including contact information, major publications and editorial experience);
3. A 2-page statement outlining the state of research in the area and justifying why the special issue is needed and how is expected to entail theoretical, practical and policy implications as well as to attract a wide audience (ideally from various geographic areas and disciplines);
4. A proposed timeline for each stage of editing and publishing the special issue;
5. A list of scholars (including email addresses) who may be interested in submitting to, or reviewing for, the special issue.

Proposals will be evaluated with regard to the following criteria:

- Fit of the subject with the scope of CGIR;
- Potential to attract high-quality submissions;
- Relevance and novelty of the topic;
- Incorporation of relevant literatures;
- Projected theoretical, practical and policy implications;
- Attractiveness to a wide readership;
- Outlined organization of the editorial process;
- Overall significance of intended contribution.

Final decisions on proposals will be made by September 1, 2021. Authors of selected proposals will be invited to submit a full call for papers of their special issue by October 1, 2021. Submissions to the special issue will be made through the CGIR Manuscript Central website and be subject to the CGIR standard double-blind reviewing process. Guest Editors have to provide an editorial introduction to the special issue but should refrain from being involved in any regular submission to the special issue.

For queries about this call for proposals, please feel free to contact the CGIR Editors-in-Chief, Konstantinos Stathopoulos (k.stathopoulos@manchester.ac.uk) and Till Talaulicar (till.talaulicar@uni-erfurt.de), or the editorial office of the journal (CGIR@wiley.com).