As we enter the new decade, scholars at the cusp of their careers are increasingly encouraged to make a *difference* with their research, both in doing something novel and innovative in terms of theory, but also to make an impact with their research beyond the confines of scholarly journals. This conference seeks to embrace this challenge and opportunity to make a difference both within and beyond academia.

Organised over two days in summer 2020 within the vibrant city of Liverpool, this conference will focus on PhD student’s scholarly and career development by providing a supportive and engaging environment to develop research ideas, potential contributions and future career goals.

A range of high-profile and eminent academic speakers and editors of top-tier journals will share their career insights, provide feedback on individual submissions and presentations, and be available for networking throughout the conference. Further, PhD students will have the opportunity to network and build relationships with other PhD researchers from across the UK.

The event commences on Monday 15th of June in the morning and ends on Tuesday, 16th of June, in the afternoon.

All sessions will be held in the University of Liverpool Management School and an evening meal is also included at The Refinery offering a further, informal, networking opportunity.
Eligibility

We welcome submissions from across the broad disciplinary area of Business and Management. The event will be open to all doctoral students across the UK, with doctoral students within NARTI institutions and/or the NWSSDTP receiving first preference.

Academic panel

- **Professor Joep Cornelisson** (Rotterdam School of Management)
- **Professor Emma Bell** (The Open University)
- **Professor Caroline Gatrell** (University of Liverpool Management School)
- **Professor Roy Suddaby** (University of Victoria & University of Liverpool Management School)
- **Professor Claire Hannibal** (Liverpool John Moores University).
- **Professor Lisa Anderson** (University of Liverpool Management School)
- **Professor Mike Zundel** (University of Liverpool Management School & Copenhagen Business School)
- **Professor Ian Fillis** (Liverpool Business School)
- **Professor Dave Bryde** (Liverpool John Moores University)
- **Professor Dilani Jayawarna** (University of Liverpool Management School)

Submission guidelines and important dates

Potential participants will firstly be required to submit a 1000-word extended abstract or overview of their paper. Extended abstracts should be representative of the intended final submission. If they are empirical, for instance, they should include some expected, preliminary or indicative findings.

All extended abstracts will be single-blind peer reviewed and feedback will be provided. Upon acceptance, extended abstracts should be turned into a full paper presentation.

**Submission opens:** 24th January 2020  
**Submission closes:** 17th March 2020, 17:00  
**Notification of paper acceptance:** 21st April 2020, 17:00
Abstracts should include the following:

- Paper title
- Broad research area – please select one of the following:
  1. Organisational Behaviour
  2. Human Resource Management
  3. International Business
  4. Entrepreneurship
  5. Strategy
  6. Marketing
  7. Supply Chain and Operations Management
  8. Accounting and Finance
  9. Economics
  10. Other (please specify)
- Purpose of the paper
- Theoretical background
- Methodology
- Main findings
- Potential contribution
- 3-5 key words

To submit your extended abstract please do the following:

1. Submit a 1000 word extended abstract (as outlined above)
2. Submit a letter of support from your supervisor
3. Download and complete the NARTI Application Form
4. Submit all of the above documents to narti20@liverpool.ac.uk no later than Monday 17th March 2020, 17:00.
If you would like to just attend the conference as a day guest then please email your interest to narti20@liverpool.ac.uk

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