



## **Sustainable Development and Corporate Reporting: Current Issues – A workshop for early career researchers from Russia and the UK**

**School of Business and Law, University of Portsmouth**

Tuesday 18th June to Thursday 20th June 2019

### **Overview**

This workshop for early career researchers (ECRs) from the UK and Russia, will consider current issues and the future of social responsibility reporting in corporate reports. The future of financial reporting is relevant, with the new IASB framework from 2020, integrated reporting including sustainability and current debates in Russia and the UK on accountability and corporate reporting.

The workshop aims to develop academic collaboration between the UK and Russia. It will provide a platform for discussion of short and long-term research collaboration opportunities with potential for longer-term sustainability.

The workshop will benefit participants by providing clear objectives and professional development for scholarly writing, publication, dissemination of research and for searching and applying for grants. Thus building capacity. There will be opportunities for networking, building teams and developing research ideas with other ECRs in similar research areas of corporate reporting.

The workshop is supported by the British Council, Portsmouth University and the Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation, Moscow.

### **Workshop programme**

At the 3-day workshop expert speakers will discuss developments in social responsibility, sustainability and financial reporting. Providing a forum for researchers to hear and engage in debate with well-informed speakers. Presentations and discussions will be an opportunity for early career researchers (ECRs) to generate ideas for research and for networking. Ideas will be developed during the workshop to lead to outputs in international journals and drafting grant applications

The workshop will be in English.

### **Target audience**

Participants will be based in the UK or in Russia. The ERCs recruited to participate in the workshop will have a PhD or equivalent research background.

Participants will have a financial accounting background, preferably with research in this area.

There will be equal numbers of participants from Russia and the UK. The workshop aims to increase involvement of researchers from various regions of Russia, providing the opportunity for them to engage with international research. Encouraging those who would not otherwise get the opportunity, to be involved in an international workshop and future active participation in research projects.

### **Further details**

The workshop will be preceded by the University of Portsmouth Business and Law, Research and Innovation conference, which participants of the workshop can attend (17th June). This offers participants an additional opportunity to attend presentations on Sustainability and an afternoon session on writing and publishing research for ECRs. A chance to network and establish contact with others interested in sustainability reporting. Details of this day conference will be circulated to everyone who registers for the workshop.

The workshop will run formally from 9:00-16:30 on the three days and costs of the workshop and the conference will be funded, this includes travel, accommodation, all presentations, refreshment breaks and meals during the workshop. Places are limited to a maximum of 40 attendees.

### **Applications**

Participants will apply for a place on the workshop via a brief CV and application letter outlining their motivations to participate in the workshop, highlighting short and longer term ambitions related to the workshop.

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Participants will be selected after review by two mentors, one from each country. Places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis and decisions will be made within one week of receiving the application email.

Preference will be given to those potential participants who are ECRs interested in sustainability reporting and who show they pursue not only short-term but long-term goals.

Equal numbers of participants will be selected from each country based on applications.