

Call for Papers and Panels

12th International Social Innovation Research Conference 2020,
Sheffield University Management School, Centre for Regional Economic and Enterprise
Development

1st – 3rd September 2020

Theme: *'Social innovation and enterprise for more prosperous, fair and sustainable societies'*

Conference website: <https://isircconference2020.com/>

Public Services Provision, Co-Production and Co-Creation

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Stream description: The co-production and co-creation of public services actively involves citizens in the design and delivery of services. Although widely advocated in policy discourse, there is still scant guidance on how to effectively realise genuinely co-produced services in which the power balance between public sector and citizen is equalised.

This stream welcomes papers that relate to the dynamics of the relationship between public sector providers and the co-producers or co-creators. We are keen to hear from researcher, evaluators, public sector professionals and others involved in the evidencing of successful co-production that truly moves beyond public consultation.

Research that moves beyond the case study to interrogate the mechanisms relating to success and/or failure of co-production and co-creation in the public services arena is particularly welcomed. Presentations may chose to focus on one of the following topics, but the stream is open to all papers pertinent to public services co-production:

- How do we evidence whether 'genuine' co-production of services has happened?
- What motivates public sector actors and citizens to get involved in the co-production of services?
- How effective are public sector frameworks such as the Scottish Approach to Service Design in fostering co-produced services?
- Are co-producers and co-creators involved in services evaluation?
- The use of co-production approaches to researching public services delivery.

Submission Guidelines

Paper abstracts must be a maximum of 300 words, excluding references. They should articulate: the research questions or objectives being addressed; the conceptual or theoretical perspectives informing the work; where appropriate, the methodology utilised; and the contribution of the paper to knowledge in light of the conference theme.

A maximum of two abstracts may be submitted per presenter (joint papers to be presented by co-authors will also be considered).

Paper abstracts should be submitted to isirc2020conference@sheffield.ac.uk

On abstract submission please ensure you **advise of the conference stream**.

Optional full paper submission for consideration in best paper awards is due no later than **31st July 2020**. Submit full papers to: isirc2020conference@sheffield.ac.uk

Guidelines for full paper submissions:

Papers must be written in English and should be sent in Microsoft Word or PDF format.

Papers should be between 5000 and 8000 words in length including tables, figures and references. Tables and figures should be incorporated into the paper. Each table and figure should be given a title.

Please include an abstract and four to six key words.

To enable anonymity, the authors' names should not appear. Instead, a cover page giving the title of the paper and full identifying information of the author(s) (name, address, telephone and e-mail address) should be included as a separate Word or PDF document.

Harvard is the preferred referencing style.

Panel proposals must be a maximum 400 words, excluding references. They should include: the panel purpose and its relationship to the nominated conference stream; details of (minimum) three and (maximum) four papers and paper presenters to be included in the panel; and the expected contribution of the panel.

Panel proposals abstracts should be submitted to isirc2020conference@sheffield.ac.uk

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Enquiries about conference administration and technical issues related to submission should be directed to the conference administration team: isirc2020conference@sheffield.ac.uk

Deadlines

Abstract and panel proposals submission closes: **7th April 2020**

Decision on submissions notification: **30th April 2020**

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