Dear OMT Community,

First and foremost —our very sincere thank you to all of you who submitted to OMT and all those who participated in this year’s review process. It was terrific to see the response from the OMT community to the calls for reviewers: Close to 1100 reviewers from 54 countries stepped up and devoted their time, work, and energy to helping OMT create another exciting program for this year in Boston. I would like to especially thank all the emergency reviewers who were available on short notice and helped us meet the deadline. Thank you so much!

Scholarly Program

- 313 papers and 101 symposia on a wide range of topics including Status Hierarchies, Networks, Social Movements, Categories, Stigma, Future of Work, Novel Organizational Forms, Social Innovation, Board Structures, Inequality, Learning, Identity, Paradoxes, Digitalization, Temporality, Institutional Pluralism, Communities, Hybridity, and many other topics.

- We also have the following Showcase Symposia this year:
- New Frontiers in Organizational Learning

- Brokers Behaving Badly

- Historical-Evolutionary Organization Studies: Understanding the Past to Create an Inclusive Future

- Towards A Practice-Driven Institutionalism: Exploring Institutional Change In Praxis

- Situated Institutions: The Role of Place, Space and Embeddedness in Institutional Dynamics

- The Marginalized, the marginalizing and the quest for legitimacy
- The Ecology of Signals and Strategies in Labor Markets

- Expanding social theory: implications for management, strategy, and organization studies

- Searching for social order in extreme contexts

**Must-dos**

- **OMT Distinguished Scholar Breakfast** (Mon 8 – 9:30 am) Words of Wisdom from Lynne Zucker
- **OMT Business Meeting** (Mon 6:30 - 7:30 pm) Come and find out what the OMT division is up to and receive the 2019 OMT artifact.
- **Meet EGOS@OMT** (Fri 6:30 - 8:30 pm) and **OMT Social Hour** (Mon 7:30 – 9:30 pm) Come to meet longtime and newer OMTers and connect with our friends from EGOS.

- **OMT Events** (varying times – stay tuned to our electronic channels for details) We will again host a wide variety of off-program events self-organized by OMT members in non-official venues. These events are designed to encourage people to get together in informal settings around common interests (academic or non-academic).

Please be sure to join us, and continue to make “OMT, the Place to Be!”
Best regards,

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