**CALL FOR PAPERS: Special Issue: Accelerating Innovation: Capabilities and Systems**

***Research-Technology Management* is seeking submissions for a special issue on initiatives that are accelerating innovation.**

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Current global challenges and the unprecedented page of change have created an urgent need to accelerate innovation. New opportunities exist to create novel and potentially disruptive product-service systems and business models to tackle these issues. Organizations in all industries are under pressure to transform and develop new capabilities and skills in innovation. Companies tend to underestimate what it takes to make their innovation efforts successful, especially when they seek to generate more radical, disruptive, or transformative innovations. Innovation initiatives tend to be fragmented, ad hoc, and episodic. Emerging research suggests a need exists for approaches that are more holistic, systematic, and sustainable over time, to build longer-lasting innovation capabilities.

Innovators and R&D experts may need to design completely new ecosystems by cooperating across industries and engaging with startups. Collaboration in diverse sectors and emerging markets/economies may enable systemic innovation solutions that solve problems and create value for a range of stakeholders.  We are actively seeking papers on the following topics:

* Competencies/capabilities companies need to accelerate digital and sustainable innovation.
* Ecosystems companies are building—for example, platform-based, capstone firm driven, or network-based—to enable systemic innovation and the forms of governance used to influence the speed and outcome of innovation.
* Cross-boundary collaborations with startups, academia, public organizations, and NGOs that are influencing the management of innovation, speed of innovation, and systemic innovation.
* Corporate innovation management systems that are being designed to meet the demand for digital, sustainable, and systemic innovations.
* Reverse innovations taking place in different industries and how the lack of resources and established infrastructure in emerging markets are shaping them.
* How the new ISO 56002 standard is being used to design corporate innovation management systems and how the implementation of such systems influences organizations’ ways-of-working and practices; how the adoption of ISO 56002 influences knowledge transfer and what implications it has for innovation management.

*RTM* articles are concise and practice oriented. Submissions should demonstrate companies’ experiences, what’s changing, adaptations, and managerial lessons learned/practical implications. Ideal submissions offer concrete examples and data to support their topic. Successful submissions will offer readers practical information they can put to work immediately.

We prefer submissions at around 4,000–4,500 words. We will occasionally publish truly groundbreaking pieces as long as 5,000 words. Articles should be submitted via our Editorial Manager system at http://www.editorialmanager.com/rtm/. For submission requirements and author’s guidelines, visit www.tandfonline.com/urtm. Email questions to *RTM’s* managing editor, Tammy McCausland, at mccausland@iriweb.org.