

## Call for Abstracts

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### Special Issue: Resilience, 1/2024

*(e. g. on the level of team, organisation, individual, society with a special focus on the public, nonprofit or nonprofit sector as well as public welfare)*

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The challenges are increasing: Climate change, extreme weather events, shortages of financial- or staff resources are just a few examples of the challenges facing organisations, teams, and individuals (Leach/Scoones/Stirling 2010; Lodge/Hood 2012; Skertich/Johnson/Comfort 2013). This requires responding to sometimes unpredictable events to cope with these developments (Profiroiu/Nastaca 2021). In this context the resilience approach gains more importance (Barbera et al. 2017; Boin/van Eeten 2013; Duchek 2020; Duit 2016), which can be considered at three levels organisation, team, and individual (Hartmann et al. 2020; Williams et al. 2017). Resilience can be further classified into: Readiness and Preparation, Response and Adaptation, and Recovery and Transition (Ponomarov/Holcomb 2009). Particularly because of the Covid 19 pandemic, the level of consideration of organisational resilience has increasingly attracted the attention of practitioners and researchers (Foerster/Fuereder 2022; Förster/Duchek 2022).

The empirical research in the context of resilience, e. g. in the public sector, is still insufficient (Bracci et al. 2015). Although a focus of research is on developing theories and methods (Bhamra/Dani/Burnard 2011), there is a lack of empirical studies on how (organisational) resilience can be 'achieved' in practice (Bhamra/Dani/Burnard 2011; Boin/van Eeten 2013; Chowdhury et al. 2019; Duit 2016). More research is needed on what mechanisms and characteristics are supportive or how to 'develop' organisational resilience (Duchek 2020), especially with reference to practice (Davoudi et al. 2012). At the same time, a separate norm ISO 22316:2017 (International Organization for Standardization 2017-03) provides information for practical implementation in organisations.

Our **aim** is to address the topic of resilience on the three levels of organisation, team and individual with special focus on public, community, or nonprofit sector (e. g. public administrations, charities, aid organisations, clinics, Kindergarten). The focus is on empirical papers with practical impact.

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<sup>1</sup> One of the previous issues with a different focus has received numerous submissions and will therefore be published in two issues. Therefore, our focus on resilience will be published in issue 1/2024.

The team of guest editors is pleased to invite you to submit your contribution on the topic of resilience from **different perspectives**. You are free to choose the level on which you examine resilience, e. g. organisation, team, individual, society:

- Role and characteristics of organisations, teams, individuals in the identified sector in the context of resilience.
- Resilience before, during, and after a crisis or threat (crisis anticipation, organisational robustness and survival)
- Elements, success factors and resources that enable resilience
- Approaches for corporate resilience management
- Linking resilience and sustainability
- Measurement and/or maturity models of resilience
- Approaches of resilience management and stakeholder engagement (e. g., employee participation, agile methods, community participation and empowerment)
- Resilience in the context of specific challenges such as digitalization, Covid-19, climate change, severe weather events, (failure of) critical infrastructure.

The topics are for guidance only and are not an exclusion criterion.

Regarding research methods, we are looking forward to theoretical derivations/frameworks, (systematic) literature analyses, empirical-qualitative work, case studies as well as participatory-agile methods from workshops such as Design Thinking or Lego® Serious Play®. Due to the young research topic, the contributions may also have an explorative character, but should go beyond simple practical reports.

After acceptance of your abstract, a peer review process will take place. Further details can be found in the publication modalities section.

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