
Editorial

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In the evolving reality of business and management, staying ahead of the curve is imperative for success. This special issue delves into the heart of contemporary challenges and opportunities that shape the landscape of businesses today. In times of change, it is crucial to dissect the intricacies of these issues, understand their implications and forge pathways toward sustainable solutions.

The special issue contains articles presented at the International Scientific Conference ‘Business and Management 2022’ (BM-2022) that was held by the Faculty of Business Management of Vilnius Gediminas Technical University (Vilnius, Lithuania). The conference program included both plenary meeting and work in sessions.

During the plenary session, Carmel Somers presented her research on the need for corporate social entrepreneurship. In fact, the concept of corporate social entrepreneurship (CSE) has emerged as a transformative force in the 21st century; hence, during the panel session, the participants aimed to underscore the pressing need for businesses to embrace social entrepreneurship as an integral part of their corporate DNA. Actually, businesses are increasingly recognising the imperative to go beyond traditional profit-making models and contribute meaningfully to the well-being of communities and the planet.

After the plenary meeting, the work in sessions, which were as follows, started:

- Advanced economic development
- Business technologies and sustainable entrepreneurship
- New perspectives on management and resilience of business organisations
- Finance and investment: new challenges and opportunities
- Green economy and sustainable development
- Legal business environment.

All the accepted papers were published in conference proceedings (which are indexed in WoS), and their authors were offered to publish the extended versions of their articles in

conference journals-partners, one of which was the *International Journal of Learning and Change*.

In conclusion, the special issue on *Contemporary Issues in Business and Management* serves as a compass for navigating the complexities of the modern business landscape. By addressing the challenges and opportunities presented by technology, sustainability, diversity, globalisation, and ethical leadership, this collection of articles aims to contribute to the ongoing dialogue on how businesses can prosper in an ever-changing world.

The BM conference is annual, and all the information is provided on the webpage (<http://vilniustech.lt/bm>).