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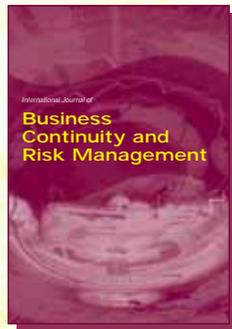
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*IJBCRM is a refereed international journal that provides a professional and scholarly forum in the essential field of business continuity and risk management with particular emphasis on decision making using a multidisciplinary approach. Organisational resiliency through risk assessment, contingency planning, systems security, crisis and disaster management, and recovery planning, as well as public policy regarding infrastructure and security, are integrated in the journal's coverage.*

## **Subject coverage:**

*Suitable topics include, but are not limited to:*

- *Professional Practices of Business Continuity*
  - Project initiation and management
  - Risk assessment
  - Feasibility analyses for control alternatives
  - Business impact analysis
  - Business continuity strategies
  - Coordinating emergency operations
  - Developing and implementing a business continuity plan
  - Testing and maintaining business continuity capabilities
  - Training and awareness
  - Crisis communications
  - Coordination with external agencies
  - Disaster recovery
  - Business continuity software
- *Infrastructure Crisis and Public Policy*
  - Failing transportation infrastructure
  - Energy transmission grid shortfall
  - Data network infrastructure
  - Infrastructure investment and economic activity
  - Successful public-private partnerships
- *Risk Management and Decision Technology*
  - Risk management modelling software
  - Modelling risk decisions with imprecise information
  - Attitudinal based strategy development
  - Computational intelligence for mitigating disasters
  - Disaster management using fuzzy modelling
  - Visualisation
  - Intelligent agents
  - Simulation and gaming
  - Knowledge management
- *Natural Resources and Environmental Threats*
  - Energy shortage
  - Enterprise sustainability
  - Globalisation and development issues
  - Global climate change
  - Sustainable land use management
  - Environment, health and safety
  - Natural disasters
- *Crisis Leadership and Organisational Resiliency*
  - Natural, technological, industrial, and terrorism events
  - Influenza pandemic
  - Threats of offshoring and outsourcing
  - Supply chain management risk
  - Reputation risk management
  - Governance, risk and regulatory compliance
  - Role of insurance
- *Enterprise Risk Management*
  - Uncertainty in the global economy
  - Investment risk
  - Worldwide competition
  - Foreign exchange risk
  - Accounting and financial compliance
  - Interest rate risk
  - Operational quality assurance
  - Credit risk
  - Internal control
  - Risk maturity model
- *Crisis Management Information Systems*
  - Emergency information systems
  - Geographical information systems
  - Health information systems
  - Crisis detection and decision making
  - Sensor networks
  - Virtual organisations
- *Homeland Security and Organisational Threats*
  - Agroterrorism
  - Bioterrorism
  - Cyberterrorism
  - Critical technology management
  - Border and port security
  - Weapons of mass destruction
  - Transportation security
- *Systems Security for Business Resiliency*
  - Hazards of information and communications technologies
  - Information privacy and identity theft
  - Security issues of internet commerce
  - Operating systems security
  - Applications security
  - Database security
  - Web security
  - Physical security
  - Computer network security
  - Encryption in information systems security



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**George A. Zsidsisin, Bowling Green State University**

*In the current era we all need a holistic and multidisciplinary perspective on risk so that nothing is missed - I am looking forward to both reading and contributing to this exciting new journal*  
**Phillip Kelly, Liverpool Business School**

*The IJBCRM already deserves its reputation for utmost relevance and careful scholarship in the multiple disciplines of business continuity.*

**James H. Lambert, University of Virginia**

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**Paul Barnes, Queensland University of Technology**

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**Theresa Jefferson, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University**

*I am delighted to help develop a journal that recognises the truly multi-disciplinary nature of business continuity and risk management. To ensure the stability of our organisational and business processes, one needs to understand the context and issues from a very wide range of perspectives and bring to bear a host of potential solutions drawing on skills and experiences and knowledge from almost every discipline.*

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