

Call for Submissions

POMS College of Operational Excellence 2022 Best Paper Competition

The College of Operational Excellence POMS is administering a best paper competition to recognize outstanding research in the field of operational excellence. This serves as an announcement for this award, with entries due on **January 15, 2022**.

General information

The competition recognizes leading research in operational excellence. Appropriate topics encompass a wide range, including, but not limited to, technology-enabled operational improvement, operational excellence programs and paradigms (e.g., Lean, Continuous Improvement, Six Sigma, Industry 4.0 / digital transformation, etc.), organizational change associated with operational excellence, operations strategy, and interfaces between operations and other organizational functions.

The author(s) of the best paper will receive an award plaque and honorarium of \$1000. Up to three Honorable Mentions may also be awarded depending on the number of qualified submissions. All finalists will be notified prior to the POMS Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL, April 21–25, 2022. The awards will be announced after up to four finalists present their work at the POMS Operational Excellence Track.

Eligibility

To be considered for the award, a submission must be a working paper, not under review nor published (or accepted for publication) elsewhere *at the time of submission*. Finalists must agree to present their work at the 2022 POMS meeting.

Judging criteria

Papers will be reviewed by a panel of judges from the College of Operational Excellence based on four dimensions: (1) contribution to advancements in operational excellence research, (2) originality, (3) readability, clarity, and organization of the paper, and (4) technical content and scope relative to the length of the paper.

Application process

Please send the following in an email to matthiasthurer@workloadcontrol.com, with an email subject line of “Operational Excellence Best Paper Competition”:

- A title page, including the full title, all names and affiliations of all co-authors, and an indication of the corresponding author, with email address. Declare that the paper is not under review at a journal at the time of submission. If the main author is a doctoral student who has not yet defended its dissertation prior to April 25, 2022, please explain his/her contribution on the title page.
- A full paper (at most 32 pages, excluding any appendix), laid out using the formatting standards of the POM journal (at least 11 pt., double-spaced). Nowhere in the paper should the names or affiliations of its author(s) be revealed.

Any questions? Please contact Matthias Thürer (matthiasthurer@workloadcontrol.com), on behalf of the POMS College of Operational Excellence.

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