



From the Editor, Paul H. Jacques

Dear Readers,

It is with great pleasure that I present to you this special issue of JBAM, featuring a collection of outstanding conceptual papers. This issue was designed to provide a platform for manuscripts that are challenging for authors to publish, and it far exceeds our expectations. We are thrilled to showcase a highly diverse array of new authors who bring fresh perspectives and introduce captivating ideas to the academic community.

At JBAM, we foster innovation and advance knowledge within a broad domain of forces that shape and interact with human behavior. Recognizing that conceptual papers push the boundaries of scholarly discourse, we launched this special issue to encourage authors to delve into uncharted territories and explore novel ideas. The response we received was enthusiastic, with contributions from an array of scholars. The range of topics covered in this special issue is truly remarkable. Whether theoretical frameworks that challenge paradigms or innovative conceptualizations of long-standing problems, each manuscript offers a unique lens through which to view organizations and those that comprise them. The authors represented in this special issue embraced the opportunity to challenge conventional wisdom, pushing the boundaries of knowledge in their respective domains.

One rewarding aspect of the issue is inclusion of new authors who are making their mark in academia. Diverse perspectives drive innovation and foster intellectual growth, and participation from emerging scholars brings a fresh vibrancy to the issue, opening new avenues for exploration and the future of the field. I encourage you to approach each manuscript with an open mind and a willingness to engage with unconventional ideas. Conceptual papers challenge preconceived notions and inspire us to think differently. I have no doubt that these articles will ignite your curiosity and spark lively debates within the scholarly community.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the authors for their unwavering commitment to intellectual exploration and their invaluable contributions to this issue. I also express gratitude to the anonymous reviewers who responded to an unprecedented short review cycle, and whose meticulous evaluations ensured the quality and rigor of the papers. I thank you, our esteemed readers, for your ongoing support and for embracing the spirit of intellectual adventure that defines JBAM. Your enthusiasm and engagement make our efforts worthwhile. I hope that this special issue of JBAM serves as a catalyst for further exploration, collaboration, and dialogue among researchers. Together, let us continue to push the boundaries of knowledge and shape the future of our field.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Paul H. Jacques'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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