The International Association for Accounting Education and Research (IAAER) and Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) will host our annual Central and Eastern European Emerging Accounting Scholars Research Workshop in Bucharest, Romania on 28-29 September 2020. The workshop will be held in conjunction with the AMIS 2020 International Conference organized by the Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania. The objectives of the workshop are to provide emerging scholars from Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) with feedback on their research proposals and to help develop their research skills. Representatives of IAAER will select the research projects to be presented during the workshop and will attend the workshop to provide comprehensive feedback and guidance to the participants. Preference will be given to doctoral students and early career researchers. However, the workshop is open to all emerging accounting scholars holding or pursuing a terminal degree that are affiliated with higher education institutions in the CEE countries and are committed to improving their research skills capacity.

The workshop will begin with a light lunch Monday September 28 and run all day Tuesday September 29 2020. On Monday afternoon internationally recognized scholars will lead sessions designed to increase participants’ research skills (for example, discussing/reviewing a research paper, basic research design issues). Participants will be expected to study several assigned readings to prepare for these sessions.
Emerging CEE accounting scholars are invited to submit research proposals (i.e., paper ideas or research projects in the pilot testing phase) to be considered for presentation at the workshop on Tuesday. Up to 15 proposals will be selected for presentation. Following each presentation, IAAER mentors/faculty will provide guidance on ways to increase the quality of the research and its publication potential.

Research proposals should be submitted in word format on or before 15 March 2020 to Professor Donna Street at dstreet1@udayton.edu, and should not exceed ten pages (excluding references). All submissions should be double-spaced, utilize size 12 Times New Roman font, and be in English. Each submission should include a brief (one page or less) bio of the author including the author’s current employer (university) and the author’s doctoral granting institution and the date the PhD was received (or in the case of doctoral candidates the anticipated date for receiving the PhD). Only submissions adhering to the guidelines will be considered.

Authors tentatively selected to present their proposals at the workshop will receive written feedback to assist them in revising and improving their proposal by 1 May 2020. Authors are to submit their revised proposals accompanied by a reply detailing how they have addressed, will address, or why they cannot address each of the reviewers’ comments and recommendations by 1 July 2020. Following a second review of the proposal and the reply to reviewers, a final decision regarding the proposal’s acceptance will be announced by 1 August 2020.

Presenting authors are to attend both the entire workshop and the entire AMIS 2020 conference on 28-28 September 2020. Please make your travel arrangements with these dates in mind. For authors selected to present at the workshop, accommodation of up to four nights will be provided at a hotel close to the vicinity of the workshop and conference venue, the AMIS registration fee will be waived and a travel grant of up to 250 Euro (Romanian citizens) / 400 Euro (non-Romanian citizens) will be provided to cover out-of-pocket travel costs. The grants are limited to two presenters per proposal. Funding for the hotel and travel grants is provided by ACCA Global.

Prior to 30 June 2019, up to three of the research proposals presented in Bucharest may be selected by the IAAER mentors/faculty and recognized on the IAAER website and in the next IAAER quarterly newsletter as ‘best proposals’.

There is no fee for attending the workshop. However, space is limited. Attendance is also open to other emerging CEE accounting scholars not presenting at the workshop. However, non-presenting participants must register their interest in advance and will not receive a reimbursement/travel allowance. Please register your interest in attending the workshop and an abbreviated CV via email by 1 June 2020 to dstreet1@udayton.edu. Early application is encouraged.

1 Supervisors of doctoral students may attend the workshop but are not allowed to attend their student’s presentation.
The ACCA and IAAER believe the Workshop will provide valuable feedback and networking opportunities for emerging scholars. If you are not eligible to participate in this program, please encourage emerging scholars on your faculty and doctoral students to submit a proposal.

The workshop coordinators will make their best effort to match the expertise of the participating faculty/mentors to the participants’ research interests. While we do not exclude any themes related to the accounting field from the scope of this call, acceptance of proposals for presentation will also depend on the availability of faculty/mentors with specialized expertise in the subject area.

For further questions, to submit an interest of participation, or to submit a research proposal, please email Professor Donna Street, at dstreet1@udayton.edu.

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KEY DATES
Deadline for proposal submission: 15 March 2020
Preliminary selection decisions advised and written feedback: 1 May 2020
Deadline to resubmit revised proposals and response to reviewers: 1 July 2020
Final acceptances advised: 1 August 2020