Call for Papers
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The Journal of Co-operative Studies is a peer reviewed academic journal which aims to generate theoretical knowledge as well as promoting research and innovation within the co-operative sector. The Journal is published by the UK Society for Co-operative Studies in Manchester, England, a city strongly associated with the co-operative movement since the days of the Rochdale Pioneers. It is distributed in Canada in partnership with the Canadian Association of Studies in Co-operation.

The guest editor for this issue welcomes Canadian contributions on any aspect of co-operation and related subject areas: in particular on co-operative sectors (consumer, housing, worker, agricultural, credit and other forms); and other sectors within the ‘social economy’, including mutual businesses, credit unions and building societies, community businesses, and member-based non-profits. Whilst one role of the Journal is the dissemination of the results of research, we are keen to ensure that its contents should also act as a bridge between academics and practitioners in advancing knowledge and understanding of co-operation.

There are three ways of contributing to this issue:

1. Articles of 4,000-8,000 words which, either by reporting the results of empirical research or through developing theoretical perspectives, contribute to knowledge about co-operation and related subject areas. These articles will be subject to anonymous peer review by two specialist referees. They should be preceded by a title page which does not contain the author’s name, and a short summary of up to 100 words.

2. Shorter articles, generally of around 2,000 words which are assessed on the basis of their general interest and readability. Such articles are not subject to formal peer review although the editor may seek comments and suggestions from members of the Editorial Advisory Board which would be discussed with the author as part of the editing process.

3. Reviews and review articles; the former should be no more than 600 words, the latter 2,000 words. They are usually commissioned by the review editor, Dr Rita Rhodes, Visiting Research Fellow, Co-operatives Research Unit, Open University, Milton Keynes MK7 6AA.
Articles should be submitted as email attachments to guest editor Sonja Novkovic at s.novkovic@SMU.CA in Word or Acrobat, no later than May 1st, 2007.

Main headings should be lower case in bold, sub-headings lower case in italics (a lower level of sub-sub heading should be avoided).

References should use the Harvard system. A short description of the author’s current job title (or one previous title), should be included at the end, in bold print.

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