CSEAR is pleased to organize the 7th Emerging Scholars Colloquium, a one-day event for emerging scholars working on social and environmental accounting research. This year the colloquium will take place on the 24th of August, 2020, immediately before the 32nd International Congress on Social and Environmental Accounting Research that will be held in University of St Andrews, Scotland (UK) on 25-27 August 2020. The participants of the Emerging Scholars Colloquium are expected to join the CSEAR UK Congress after the colloquium.

The aim of the colloquium is to provide an opportunity for emerging scholars in social and environmental accounting research to present and discuss their research projects alongside a cohort of distinguished international faculty. The colloquium will be relatively informal to enable intensive intellectual debate.

In addition to helping take research projects forward, with this one-day event we aspire to introduce emerging scholars into the social and environmental accounting research community. Simultaneously, the event also aims to prompt a reflection about questions, issues and topics that might be of interest to emerging scholars. For this purpose, we invite the participants to actively raise questions and concerns throughout the event in seeking to create a lively and engaged forum for discussion.

The Faculty
The colloquium will combine full plenary sessions with small group sessions guided by six leading scholars in the social and environmental accounting research. The faculty members present different research traditions, and provide a range of expertise of various theoretical and methodological approaches.

Colin Dey, University of Stirling, UK
Jesse Dillard, University of Central Florida, USA & Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand
Robin Roberts, University of Central Florida, USA
Michelle Rodrigue, Université Laval, Canada
Helen Tregidga, Royal Holloway, UK
Eija Vinnari, Tampere University, Finland

The event is organised by Ericka Costa (University of Trento), Giovanna Michelon (University of Bristol, UK) and Andrea Romi (Texas Tech University, USA).
Criteria for the selection of participants

To facilitate dialogue and discussion, the number of emerging scholars invited to participate will be limited. Ideally, participants should have at minimum made some progress in their doctoral research. All other early career scholars are also encouraged to apply to the colloquium. Do note, however, that due to limited capacity any research projects presented at the Emerging Scholars Colloquium are not to be presented at the main CSEAR conference.

Submissions will be selected according to:
- quality (broadly defined) of the research project proposal, and
- geographical, gender, theoretical and methodological diversity.

Applications

Emerging scholars wishing to participate in this event are invited to submit:

1. A report on the research project (maximum 2,000 words). The report should include the title of the project and summarize the research question pursued, the theoretical and methodological framework(s) used or considered, the expected contribution, the potential implications of the research, the discussion of the results to date, any encountered challenges. Appropriate bibliographical references outlining the positioning of the work should be included, but do not contribute to the words count.

2. A one-page curriculum vitae, indicating at least the name, email, affiliation, research interests, PhD supervisor (if applicable) and years in the doctoral program to date (if applicable). Please, mention if you had already participated to prior editions of the CSEAR Emerging Scholars Colloquium.

Kindly name your files as follows: [last name]_project; [last name]_cv

Applications should be submitted no later than April 15, 2020 to Giovanna.michelon@bristol.ac.uk, Ericka.costa@unitn.it and Andrea.Romi@ttu.edu indicating “CSEAR Emerging Scholars Colloquium 2020” in the subject. Invited students will be notified by May 24, 2020.

Practical information

Venue: The Gateway Building, University of St Andrews, North Haugh, St Andrews.

Accommodation: Like the CSEAR 2020 UK conference, the CSEAR Emerging Scholars Colloquium will be organized as a residential event. More information will be available soon on the CSEAR website.

Cost: This year’s Emerging Scholars Colloquium will be sponsored by (1) the Al and Nancy Burnett Eminent Scholar Chair in The Kenneth G. Dixon School of Accounting at the University of Central Florida, USA; and (2) the Erivan K. Haub Chair in Business & Sustainability in the Schulich School of Business at York University, Canada. Thanks to the generous support from our sponsors, CSEAR will be able to offer bursaries to a limited number of participants. Scholars attending the colloquium are required to register to the 32nd International Congress on Social and Environmental Accounting Research. The CSEAR website will soon provide charges and full details of how to register at: http://csear.co.uk. Registration will open in Spring 2020.