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## Business Process Management

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### 1 Special Focus

Business processes are recognized as a key factor in the design of corporations and their information systems. However, unlike other key managerial variables such as products and services, customers and employees, physical or digital assets (e.g. data, information), the conceptualization, representation and management of business processes are still in their infancy in many respects.

The demand for business process management (BPM) is grounded in the ongoing pressure to improve operational efficiency, opportunities created by process outsourcing/offshoring and the interest in making organizational behavior more predictable and risk-aware. Industry interest is strong in process standards such as widely accepted BPM maturity assessments, modeling notations such as BPMN, or process reference content such as ITIL, HL7 and SCOR.

A large body of knowledge related to modeling, simulating and executing business processes exists. However, BPM has scarcely been subjected to 'classic' IS/BISE questions that go beyond the design of BPM systems and address the adoption, use, implications and success of BPM approaches and technologies in organizations.

This special focus is dedicated to the wider adoption of IS/BISE research in the important domain of BPM. We explicitly encourage submissions that describe research using a wide variety of approaches, covering quantitative and qualitative, empirical and theoretical research methodologies such as case studies, action research, surveys, experiments and Design Science.

This special focus on BPM invites contributions from research and business practice, related to the entire domain of BPM covering BPM as an enterprise-wide capability, process (re-) design projects and the development and use of process-aware information systems. Among others, we welcome papers covering the following topics:

- BPM maturity management
- Governance of processes, and of BPM initiatives
- Value, successes and failures of BPM initiatives
- Adoption of BPM in distinct regions/ industries/functional areas
- Process outsourcing/offshoring
- Process innovation
- Process-aware information systems
- Process performance measurement and analytics
- BPM and social computing
- BPM and decision making
- Process automation
- BPM and service-oriented architectures

### 2 Submission

Please submit papers for the sections BISE – Research Paper and BISE – State of the Art by 2011-11-01 at the latest via the journal's online submission system (<http://www.editorialmanager.com/buis/>). Please observe the instructions regarding the format and size of contributions to Business & Information Systems Engineering (BISE)/WIRTSCHAFTSINFORMATIK. Papers should not exceed 10 pages; this amounts to 50,000 characters including spaces, minus 5,000 characters per page for illustrations. Detailed authors' guidelines can be downloaded from <http://www.bise-journal.org>.

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### 3 Schedule

Submission deadline: 2011-11-01  
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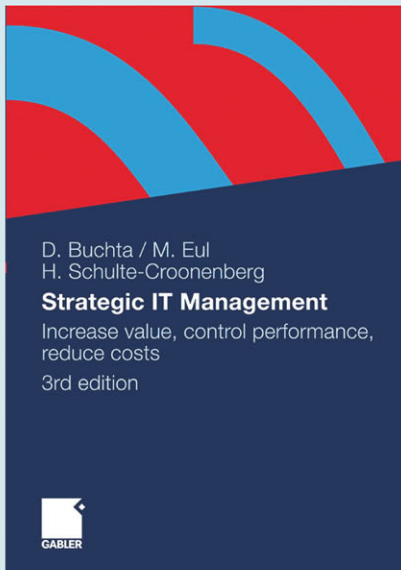
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