Letter from the Editors

WE ARE PLEASED to publish our third issue of IJCAM for 2020. The previous two issues were based on special topics – Co-operative Research and Education Programs at Canadian Universities in February and Social and Environmental Reporting of Co-operatives in October. The current issue includes five papers and a book review on a wide array of management topics. Reflecting the global mandate of IJCAM, this issue's authors include those from Canada, Nigeria, New Zealand, England and Germany.

In the first paper of this issue, Esther Awotwe (University of Saskatchewan), Simon Berge (University of Winnipeg) and Peter Davis (University of Leicester School of Business) explore stakeholder management in a multistakeholder co-operative firm, focusing on the role of the Democratic Member Control principle and operational interactions in finding common ground among stakeholders. This is followed by an in-depth examination by Caroline Shenaz Hossein (York University) of the contributions of the African Diaspora and their location in the Canadian co-operative sector. The third paper is an analysis of entrepreneurial performance of multipurpose co-operative societies in Abi Local Government Area of Cross River State, Nigeria by Egor Hikarofem Ise (Federal Co-operative

College), Chilokwu Okechukwu (Nnamdi Azikiwe University), and Owan Obodagu Tonica (Federal Co-operative College). The next paper is written by three authors (Meka Dhananjay Apparao, Nicola Mary Shadbolt, and Elena Garnevska) who are all from the School of Agriculture and Environment, Massey University. Their paper focuses on heterogeneity and commitment to collective action based on an empirical study of a New Zealand dairy co-operative. The fifth paper was authored by Linda Bitsch and Jon H. Hanf, Geisenheim University. They explore how differential member demands may lead to tensions within a cooperative. Finally, the issue concludes with a book review by Peter Davis of a book published by Jim Jones, Hasten Slowly, and You Will Soon Arrive: The Mysterious Presence of Group Equity Housing Co-operatives.

If you have a paper for the Winter 2021 edition, please submit by January 31, 2021. Papers related to management topics should be submitted to Peter Davis: <u>pd8@leicester.ac.uk</u> and those focusing on accounting and reporting should be submitted to Daphne Rixon: <u>daphne.rixon@smu.ca</u>.

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