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JOD's mission is to publish theoretically sound and practically relevant articles on all aspects of organization design and the design process. JOD wants to publish articles that can be understood by both researchers and practitioners, as it seeks to close the long-time gap between theory and practice. If organizations are to contribute to the betterment of society, theorists and practitioners must work hand-in-hand in developing approaches that are proven to work. JOD also has an orientation towards the future. We want to publish articles that explore what organizations might be and should be as well as articles about existing approaches.

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Whenever possible, JOD wants to publish articles that are grouped into a Thematic Series. A set of thematic articles is valuable because it focuses in-depth, comprehensive attention on a particular topic. At this time, we would like to announce a Call for Papers on the topic of Designing and Managing the Digital Organization. The complete Call for Papers is on the JOD website. The deadline for papers is August 1, 2016.

We invite you to submit your design-related work to JOD for a timely, double-blind peer review. Your open access article will be available to a worldwide audience for no charge.

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