**JAMIS Announcement**

**Call for Papers**

**“Pitching Research Letters”**

The editors of Journal of Accounting and Management Information Systems are very pleased to announce the launch of, “Pitching Research Letters” (PRL), to be fully incorporated as a new dedicated section in JAMIS. The inaugural issue of PRL will occur in the next issue of JAMIS.

**Philosophy and Goal of Pitching Research Letters (PRL)**

PRL is a new “letters” style section of JAMIS targeting PhD students and, more generally, novice researchers in the accounting, information systems and finance and disciplines (broadly defined) – that is, targeting novice researchers in the research domain traditionally serviced by JAMIS. Novice researchers are invited to complete a research “pitch” and write a brief discussion of their pitch according to a prescribed “letter” format. This unique opportunity is designed to provide a range of developmental objectives: (a) serve as an important exercise for novice researchers, allowing them to explain their research plans clearly and succinctly; (b) allow them to publicly “stake a claim” over a specific research question [in effect to serve as a “registered” PRL pitch];\* and (c) offer novice researchers a meaningful publication avenue that they would not readily find elsewhere.

\* upon request from submitting authors, the editors will agree to an “embargo” period of up to 12 months – that is, the accepted PRL paper in question will have an agreed minimum delay in publication as measured from the date of acceptance.

**Pitch Letter Examples**

Please use the following SSRN papers as a guide to the required letter format for a PRL submission:

Beaumont, Stacey, An Investigation of the Short and Long Run Relations between Executive Cash Bonus Payments and Firm Financial Performance: A Pitch (December 23, 2014). Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2542046>

Ratiu, Raluca Valeria, Financial Reporting of European Financial Institutions During the GFC: A Pitch (August 17, 2014). Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2482032>

Unda, Luisa, Board of Directors Characteristics and Credit Union Financial Performance: A Pitch (October 16, 2014). Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2535673> or <http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.2535673>

**Submission and Review Process**

Authors of PRL manuscripts are invited to submit their completed papers following the same procedure as for main papers at JAMIS, but clearly alerting the editors that the submission is a “PRL” submission. A blind peer review process will be applied to the submitted letters, and it would be anticipated that revisions will be required prior to acceptance. While the nature of these letters suggest a higher acceptance rate than for our main papers, authors should note that ultimate acceptance will **NOT** be guaranteed. One clear reason for rejection will be that a submitted pitch is deemed to be completed in a highly superficial manner, contrary to the spirit underlying the philosophy of the PRL concept.