

## **Track no. 18: Qualitative Research in Financial Accounting**

During the past decades quantitative studies has become the dominating way of pursuing research in financial accounting. This might be due to the fact that it appears to be easier to retrieve data from databases than to build up relationships to establish access to organisations or persons for conducting qualitative research. However, quantitative and qualitative research methods have their strengths and tradeoffs.

In international comparison it has been widely acknowledged that researchers have much easier access to Nordic organisations and persons to conduct qualitative research. While qualitative research is an important strand within Nordic management and organizational studies, there are very few financial accounting researchers involved in pursuing this path of research. The purpose of this track is to promote qualitative research in financial accounting and to gather Nordic researchers to initiate a network for exchanging experiences and ideas.

This track invites qualitative research papers on all aspects of financial accounting. This includes empirical and theoretical papers, case studies, action research, practice reports, review articles as well as any contributions focusing on the boundaries between management accounting and financial accounting. Therefore, qualitative studies on auditing, communication, international aspects and environmental accounting are also welcomed.

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