**Call for Papers**  
**5th Qualitative Accounting Research Symposium**  
Department of Management, Lang School of Business & Economics, University of Guelph

Sponsored by: the **Canadian Academic Accounting Association (CAAA) & Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario (CPA Ontario)**

**Dates:** Thursday, November 26 & Friday, November 27, 2020  
**Format:** Virtual conference

The theme for this year’s Symposium is **Ethics in a Turbulent World: The Role of Accounting?**

The Qualitative Accounting Research Symposium (QARS) brings together researchers and accounting faculty who share an interest in qualitative accounting research from diverse methodological and theoretical perspectives. The Symposium provides a high-profile forum for scholars (academics and research students) and practitioners to discuss accounting practice and research issues in social, political, and economic contexts.

We are excited to announce **Prof. Christine Cooper** (University of Edinburgh, Scotland) as our keynote speaker. The Symposium will also feature a panel discussion and *new for this year* lightning sessions for research presentations at lightning speed (please see below). This year’s event will be a physically-distanced virtual symposium.

**Submission of papers & project summaries**

The Symposium welcomes submissions of qualitative research projects in any area of accounting such as management control, auditing, information systems, financial and managerial accounting, social and environmental accounting.

Full paper submissions will be considered for one of the seven available presentation time slots. Accepted papers will be assigned a discussant and will also feature an open discussion with the audience.

Project summary or extended abstract submissions (max. two pages) will be considered for one of the six available “lightning” presentation slots. Lightning presenters are given 5 minutes (max.) to present their work to the audience. Submissions at any stage of research are welcome. Each lightning session will be followed by discussions in breakout rooms and time for Q&A in the full group setting.

The submission deadline is Friday, October 16, 2020 – to submit, please visit our website:  
[https://www.uoguelph.ca/lang/qualitative-accounting-research-symposium](https://www.uoguelph.ca/lang/qualitative-accounting-research-symposium)  
Notification of acceptance will be sent to authors by Friday, October 30, 2020.

**Registration**

Registration will be open until November 10, 2020 and is free for both authors and participants at:  
[https://www.uoguelph.ca/lang/qualitative-accounting-research-symposium](https://www.uoguelph.ca/lang/qualitative-accounting-research-symposium)

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