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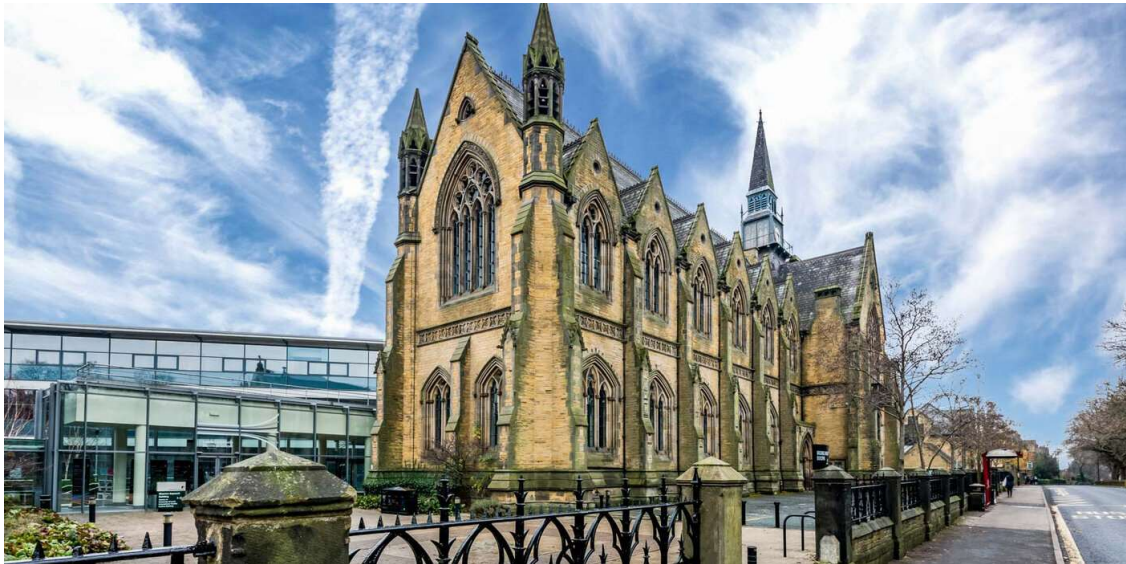
Meditari Accountancy Research Conference

2026

hosted by the Accounting & Finance Department, University of Leeds,

Leeds, United Kingdom

3–4 September 2026



Conference Theme

We welcome high-quality research papers across all areas of accounting, including but not limited to:

- corporate governance and accountability;
- ethics and corporate social responsibility;
- all forms of sustainability reporting/accounting;
- audit and assurance;
- regulation of the accounting and auditing profession;
- public sector accounting, assurance and governance;

- the relevance and application of emerging forms of technology for accounting and auditing
- accounting/assurance history
- matters related to the accounting profession

We encourage submissions using a variety of methodologies—qualitative, quantitative, or mixed-method—offering fresh perspectives on critical issues in the field.

Plenary speakers

Josephine Jackson	Christine Cooper
 Josephine Jackson is the Director of International Audit and Assurance Standards Policy at the UK Financial Reporting Council (FRC), where she also leads the FRC's ESG Group. In her role, she is responsible for audit quality initiatives, including the development of audit and assurance standards and guidance in the UK. Before joining the FRC, she served as Director of Audit Technical at Grant Thornton. Earlier in her career, she spent 15 years with PricewaterhouseCoopers, joining the firm in 1993 and working in its audit practice until 2008. She has also served as a Technical Advisor to former IAASB members Susan Jones and Marek Grabowski.	 Christine Cooper is Chair in Accounting at the University of Edinburgh Business School. A globally renowned critical accounting scholar, she explores how accounting shapes our daily lives. Formerly at the University of Strathclyde, her work spans public policy, social justice, and corporate accountability. She is Co-Editor-in-Chief of <i>Critical Perspectives on Accounting</i> and a recipient of the BAFA Lifetime Achievement Award. Professor Cooper regularly advises NGOs, contributes to policy, and speaks internationally.

Laurence Ferry	Yannis Tsalavoutas
 Laurence Ferry is an award-winning scholar in Accounting for Democracy at Durham University Business School. He is the Founding Director of the International Centre of Public Accountability and a global authority on public financial management. Laurence advises governments and international bodies on audit and accountability, and his research has shaped UK and global policy. A Senior Fellow of the HEA and a Fellow of CIPFA, he also co-directs the Durham Rutgers Accounting Analytics Network.	 Yannis Tsalavoutas is Professor of Accounting and Finance at the University of Glasgow's Adam Smith Business School. His research focuses on IFRS-based financial reporting and disclosure, with publications in <i>The British Accounting Review</i>, <i>Journal of Accounting and Public Policy</i>, <i>Accounting and Business Research</i>, and <i>Journal of Business Finance & Accounting</i>. He founded the Adam Smith Observatory of Corporate Reporting Practices and serves on editorial boards and advisory panels, including for ACCA, ICAS, and UKEB

About the journal

Meditari Accountancy Research is a leading journal committed to publishing rigorous and insightful research that explores the role of accounting in society. With a growing international readership and an increasing impact in citation rankings (5th-ranked Accounting & Taxation journal in the 2025 Google Scholar metrics with a 59 h5-index), the journal has become a prominent voice for innovative work in accounting. Meditari continues to champion research that is critical, policy-relevant, and engaged with global scholarly and practitioner communities. The journal is proud to support this conference as a platform for debate and development in the field.

Key Dates

- 1 June 2026 – Submission Deadline for Full Papers
- 20 June 2026 – Notification of Acceptance
- 31 July 2026 – Early-Bird Registration Closes

Submission Process

Full papers should be submitted via the conference portal here:
<https://accppp.co.uk/submission-form/>

All submissions will undergo a double-blind peer review process.

Selected papers may be invited for submission to *Meditari Accountancy Research*.

Conference fee

Delegate registration fees for the Meditari Accountancy Research Conference, hosted by the University of Leeds on 3–4 September 2026, cover all catering costs, including refreshments, lunch, and dinner on both days. Click here to reserve your place and pay the fee of £318:

<https://store.leeds.ac.uk/conferences-and-events/leeds-university-business-school/accounting-and-finance/meditari-2026-conference>

Venue

The *Meditari Accountancy Research* Conference 2026 will be held on the University of Leeds campus. Most sessions will take place in the Leeds University Business School's Maurice Keyworth Building, located on Moorland Road, Leeds LS6 1AN.

Leeds is an accessible and attractive destination for both international and UK-based delegates attending the Meditari Accountancy Research Conference 2026. International visitors can arrive via Leeds Bradford Airport, just a short journey from the city centre, or through Manchester Airport, which offers extensive global connections and direct rail links to Leeds. For UK travellers, the city boasts excellent rail services with fast, frequent connections to London, Edinburgh, and other major cities. Once here, visitors can explore Leeds' rich cultural and historical offerings, including the world-class Royal Armouries Museum, the medieval ruins of Kirkstall Abbey, and the acclaimed Leeds Grand Theatre. Beyond the city, the stunning landscapes of the Yorkshire Dales are easily reached, offering opportunities for scenic walks and cultural visits, including a trip to Haworth—the

historic home of the Brontë sisters. Leeds combines convenience with heritage, making it a fitting setting for scholarly exchange and exploration.

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