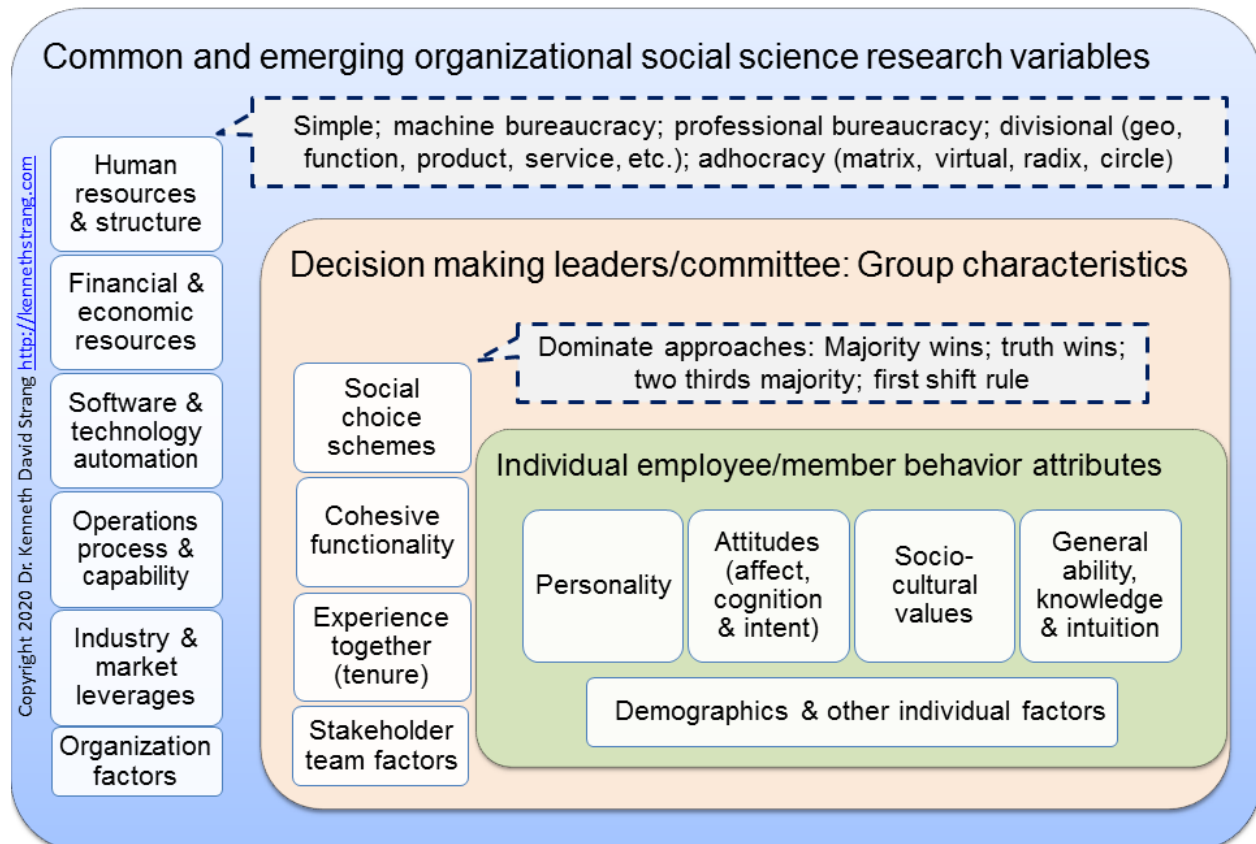




Call for Papers

In this strategic *International Journal of Risk & Contingency Management* (IJRCM) call for papers (CFP), I ask you to introduce new practice ideas or build on the provocative conceptual propositions discussed during the last 10 years, as articulated in the editorials, specifically Strang (2018). The CFP goal is to publish broad conceptual papers to stimulate more empirical research. However, empirical qualitative and quantitative studies will also be welcomed for this CFP. I offer two dichotomous themes to impel your motivation, as succinctly summarized below. I hope my preliminary conceptual model in figure 1 will trigger your creative scholarly thinking and to appease visual learning styles.

Figure 1. Proposed conceptual risk and contingency decision making variables to study



One theme is forward-looking, grounded on this research question: What do or should decision makers do in the new global organizational norm plagued by the corona virus pandemic recovery, worldwide economic volatility, climate change, along with socio-political domestic and international terrorism? Keeping in mind the conceptual model of figure 1, I visualize papers discussing what are the new strategic human resource social-psychology models or typologies; what new constructs do we need in software, information technology and process improvement; which industry or market factors are impacting decision making behaviour at the group and or individual levels of analysis? How has uncertainty evolved or how are risks being managed in cyber-security, block chain, crypto-currency, fintech, climate change projects/initiatives? What about global terrorism, ransoms, identity/cyber fraud, money laundering, counterfeiting and human trafficking? The answers to this ultimatum will become

scholarly propositions and hopefully preliminary research designs to instigate novel studies of decision making risk and contingency management in our future society.

The second theme is based on this research question: How can scholars study the emerging variables from figure 1 or other factors you will argue (grounded in the literature of course)? I imagine these papers will evaluate who, where, what, when, why and how in future research designs, or at least some of those elements. Here I anticipate research proposals for exploring, evaluating and examining the broad field of decision making or process improvement in the risk and contingency management discipline. Every organization of any size faces risks, manages within at least some uncertainty, and makes implicit and or explicit decisions to achieve the mission, goals and objectives. What I am asking is propose studies of this and explain why they are needed, which population will be sampled, and so on. Your answers to this theme will help emerging and seasoned scholars to design as well as execute new studies.

As you can see, this call for papers is asking you to think outside the box, to tell us what matters, what needs to be researched, rather than lock scholars into a corner with dated literature reviews of a specific topic. I call upon you to carry the torch of risk and contingency decision making knowledge to the next level of success. Help us advance the state-of-the-art in the organizational process risk and contingency management discipline, across all industries and sectors.

To be successful, you must write well, and follow the IJRCM writing style. To illustrate IJRCM form, style and scholarly writing expectations, see for example the papers by Losha, Strang and Vajjhala (2017) or Strang and Vajjhala (2015).

I will prioritize high quality writing with good scholarly look-and-feel papers. I note this is a departure from asking for empirical studies, as I normally do with IJRCM. However, we continue to accept empirical quantitative and qualitative studies. Visit our IJRCM site on IGI-Global where there are free samples, guidelines, and the submission link is near the bottom: <http://kennethstrang.com/ijrcm>

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