

Call for Papers
for the Conference Stream on
Sustainability and Accounting

within the

11th Annual International Sustainable Development Research Conference

June 6-8, 2005 in Helsinki at Finlandia Hall, Finland

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Session Convenor: Dr. Pall Rikhardsson

In connection with the 11th Annual International Sustainable Development Research Conference in June 2005, there will be a special session on **Sustainability and Accounting**. We would hereby like to invite you to submit a paper to this session.

The main topic of this session is the link between sustainability and business accounting – a topic of increasing interest to both academics and practitioners. Accounting provides a framework for measuring business success and plays an important part in management decision making and external stakeholder views on corporate performance. But how does this relate to sustainable development? The aim of the session is to address a variety of issues from both a mainstream and a critical viewpoint. Consequently, academics and practitioners working in this area get the opportunity to discuss the issue and share ideas about accounting and sustainability.

The focus of the session is:

- Accounting theory and sustainability
- Accounting as a barrier to or an enabler of corporate sustainability
- Management accounting and sustainability
- Financial accounting and sustainability
- External decision making and reporting on sustainability
- Environmental accounting in relation to sustainable development
- The emergence of sustainability accounting
- Critical perspectives on accounting in relation to sustainability

The list is by no means exhaustive. Other submissions within the title of the special session are encouraged.

Associate professor, Dr. Pall Rikhardsson, Aarhus School of Business, Denmark will chair the special session. Questions regarding the session should be addressed to par@asb.dk.

Please send your abstracts to: to Research Professor Jouni Korhonen at jouni.korhonen@uta.fi by February 11, 2005 marked special session on Sustainability and Accounting.

