



## CALL for PAPERS

### Special Issue Track: Comparing Climate Policy Implementation towards Carbon Neutrality Goals

The International Conference on Comparative Public Policy  
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#### **SPECIAL ISSUE THEME:**

As part of the International Conference on Comparative Public Policy, to be hosted at Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, on April 19-21, 2024, The Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis invites proposals dedicated to the critical examination of climate policy implementation in the pursuit of national carbon neutrality goals. While the global commitment to achieving net zero emissions is commendable, without substantial and concrete climate policy implementation, the global mean temperature is poised to exceed the critical threshold of 2.5 degrees Celsius. It is therefore important to scrutinize the tangible policy actions taken by governments and the extent to which declared policies are effectively enforced. This special issue thus aims to unravel the intricacies of the implementation process of carbon neutrality policies across diverse contexts and assess the practical outcomes of these policies.

We welcome submissions that engage in rigorous comparative analysis, offering valuable insights into the challenges and successes of climate policy implementation. Authors are encouraged to explore the following key areas:

- Conduct comparative analysis of pivotal climate policy implementation processes in different economic, political, and institutional contexts.
- Identify existing implementation gaps in the execution of carbon neutrality policies and delve into the factors that explain these disparities.
- Examine the role of political dynamics in shaping climate policy implementation within diverse political systems.
- Investigate novel collaborations and institutional frameworks that facilitate the practical implementation of climate policies.
- Assess the influence of local cultures, norms, and psychological factors on the shaping and execution of climate policies.
- Explore the role of policy designs and complementary measures in shaping the implementation landscape of climate policies.
- Investigate the synergies and interplay between mitigation and adaptation policies, as well as other climate-related measures.



## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

JCPA plans to organize a series of special sessions for this special issue at the [International Conference on Comparative Public Policy](#), to be held at the School of Public Policy and Management, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, on April 19-21, 2024.

Scholars who are interested in this special issue should submit their abstracts, by **January 15, 2024**, through the conference website: <https://www.comparativepolicy.org/2024-jcpa-conference/#abstract>.

All proposals must adhere to the [AIMS and SCOPE of JCPA](#), and include the following information:

(1) Cover page: authors or (co)authors names, corresponding author, institutional affiliation, mailing address, email address;

2) Text: of up to 500 words only considering: theoretical framework and/or development; methodology and/or development; research questions; findings and implications; innovations; unique contributions.

Please submit your abstract under the category “**Special Issue Track: Comparing Climate Policy Implementation toward Carbon Neutrality**”. Notification of abstract acceptance/rejection will be sent via email, no later than **January 31, 2024**. If shortlisted, candidates should submit a full manuscript by **April 12, 2024**. Along with the manuscript, please provide a cover page with the author’s name, institutional affiliation, mailing address, and email address.

## PUBLICATION:

Only research that explicitly addresses comparative policy analysis will be considered. Please refer to the JCPA comparative scope criteria available here: <https://www.comparativepolicy.org/journal-of-comparative-policy-analysis/jcpa-mission-aims-scope/>.

Only on submission of the full manuscripts and presenting the papers in-person at the conference, will the Special Issues Editors and the JCPA review the papers and shortlist them for submission, if shortlisted, through the Special Issue Portal on JCPA Scholar One. Papers should follow the JCPA guidelines, available here:

<https://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?show=instructions&journalCode=fcpa20>.

All papers will go through regular double blind peer review process and are not guaranteed for publication at JCPA. The Special Issue will receive priority slotting for publication once all accepted manuscripts are accepted. Those articles that do not meet the deadlines for final acceptance together with the other articles in the bundle, might be scheduled for publication, in regular issues once fully accepted independent of the special issue.

## INQUIRIES:

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