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It is recognized in the literature, from both academics and practitioners, that family firms are the prevalent organizational form around the world, playing a significant role in the economies of a nation (Bigliardi and Dormio, 2009). Due to their impact on national economies, that range from large to enormous, family firms have been widely studied in literature. Previous researches indicate that family firms share common characteristics and face common problems, for example they all face the dilemma of long-term survival by encountering numerous challenges, while they differ from non-family firms in terms of their objectives, strategies, sources of competitive advantage, and performance attributes.

In the today challenging environment, it is fundamental for family firms to consider their long term perspectives, thus examining the distinctive characteristics of these businesses may help them to survive better than other types of businesses.

The aim for this special issue is to provide a coherent collection of papers from researchers, academics, as well as practitioners that provide significant new insights into recent development in the area of management of family firms. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Family firms' succession planning
- Family firms' performance
- The strategic management of family firms
- The impact of family dynamics on managerial behaviors and family firms' performance
- The financial management of family firms
- The impact of generation and gender issues on the family firms' performance
- Organizational structures and changes in family firms
- Strengths and weaknesses of family firm's management and governance
- The role of national corporate governance systems for family business
- The competitive advantage or disadvantage of family firm governance
- Social issues in family firms'
- The role of organizational culture in family firms

Submission Guidelines

Manuscript should be in English and normally not exceed 6,000 words in length. Submitted papers should not have been previously published nor be currently under consideration for publication elsewhere. Please kindly read the author guidelines on the journal homepage before submitting your manuscript, to ensure it is consistent with the journal style (www.ijbmss-ng.com). Submissions should be labeled as: **Special Issue on “The management of family business: its quantitative dimensions”** and sent as an MS Word file attachment to the following e-mail addresses at the same time:

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Important Dates

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Reviewer reports: **January 15th, 2011**

Revised papers submission: **March 1st, 2011**

Manuscripts acceptance: **March 30th, 2011**

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