

INTERNATIONAL CALL FOR PAPERS

SPECIAL ISSUE ON TIME BANKS TO MARK THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CREATION OF THE TIMEBANKS ASSOCIATION IN THE UNITED STATES

The Ibero-American Association of Time Banks (ASIBDT), together with the Timebanks.org Association and the International Journal of Community Currency Research (IJCCR), on the occasion of the celebration this year 2025 of the 30th anniversary of the creation of the Time Banks association in the United States, are opening an international call for papers on time banks, time-currencies and time-based exchange networks, which will be published in a special issue dedicated to this anniversary in ***The International Journal of Community Currency Research, IJCCR*** (www.ijccr.net). The journal is a periodical published by the RAMICS association (<https://ramics.org>), founded in 1997 and since then serving as a global benchmark in the academic world in its field. It has published a great number of articles about and around timebanking during that time (see references for examples).

To mark this important anniversary for the time banks in the United States, we are opening the possibility for academic and non-academic articles on the history, present state and future potential of time banks in this country and worldwide.

The deadline for submitting articles and reviews in English or Spanish for this special issue will be ***February 1st, 2026***. We believe this is an opportunity for researchers and academics interested in contributing original work, which may include reviews, meta-analyses, empirical studies, theoretical and conceptual articles on time banks and other networks or organizations that use time as a unit of exchange. Also, articles on time-based exchange networks and time-based currencies are welcome. We will accept articles in three categories:

1. Research articles

Articles which provide an informed theoretical perspective as well as empirical investigations of time banks and time based currencies.

2. Literature review articles

Articles that provide literature review of the field of time banks, time based currencies or socially centered accounting systems, reciprocity and gift economy.

3. Empirical research reports & letters from the field

This would be field studies and particularly noteworthy case studies. We welcome in particular empirical research reports from ongoing projects and from PhD students who want to share research results before their dissertation is concluded.

The guidelines for article acceptance are the same as those required by The International Journal of Community Currency Research and can be found at the following link on the journal's website: <https://ijccr.net/submit-a-paper-2>.

By ***March 7th, 2026*** all participants will be notified by email of the results of this call for papers. The further procedure depends on the type of article you submit. Research articles are subject to a peer review process.

A first selection of papers will be presented on *March 23, 2026*, on the celebration of International Timebanks Day, as part of all the virtual events that ASIBDT and Timebanks.org, together with other organizations, are holding worldwide for this reason.

The editors of this special issue are renowned academics in the field of complementary currencies and managers of various time bank networks that currently exist worldwide.

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