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Frederiksberg, Denmark

Dear Leaders of SCANCOR Funding Institutions and Associate Members,
Dear Alumni,
Dear Friends,

On behalf of the SCANCOR Board, I am pleased to share with you the **Annual Reports 2022–2024** from our centers at **Stanford University** and **Harvard University (Weatherhead)**. The reports showcase the achievements of the many scholars who have participated in our programs, along with the seminars, conferences, and other activities we have hosted.

I have had the honor of serving as Chair of the SCANCOR Board of Directors since January 1, 2024, succeeding Professor Jesper Strandgaard, to whom we extend our warm thanks for his dedicated leadership and great contributions. I am grateful to serve alongside amazing Board colleagues: Professor Ulla Eriksson-Zetterquist (Sweden), Professor Nina Granqvist (Finland), Professor Jens Jungblut (Norway), and the Stanford and Harvard Directors mentioned below. We also recognize with deep appreciation the immense work of our Consortia Administrator, Marianne Aarø-Hansen, whose commitment and diligence are central to SCANCOR's success, the dedication and support of our administrative teams at Harvard and Stanford (also mentioned below), and the excellent stewardship of Pia Schjødt Brylov in financial matters.

At SCANCOR-Stanford, we celebrated our 35th anniversary in 2023, which brought together alumni, former directors, and friends of the community at a wonderful event. Our outstanding Director there, Professor Patricia Bromley, is currently overseeing the move to new quarters in the Wallenberg Building, at the heart of Stanford's Main Quad, while sustaining an exciting scholarly program and dynamic cohorts. The postdoctoral program, under the leadership of Professor Woody Powell, continues as a cornerstone of SCANCOR with participation from Finnish and Swedish scholars. Administrative operations have remained seamless during Administrator Kirsti Wagner's maternity leave thanks to the excellent work of Cat Uong and her team.

At SCANCOR-Harvard, Director Professor Frank Dobbin, together with Administrator Diana Ocampo Belloso, has shown remarkable dedication in supporting fellows and fostering an inspiring annual alumni conference. With the recent adoption of a co-directorship model, we have been fortunate to work with two amazing new directors, Professors Jocelyn Viterna and David Pedulla, who have joined the leadership team. In 2026, SCANCOR-Harvard will celebrate its tenth anniversary.

The Annual SCANCOR PhD Workshop and Public Lectures in Institutional Analysis celebrated its 20th anniversary in 2024 with a festive edition hosted by Professor Achim Oberg (SCANCOR alum) at University of Hamburg in collaboration with University of Mannheim. On that occasion, we

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honored the outstanding contributions of Professor Woody Powell and the “Dream Team”—Professors Bruce Carruthers, Gili Drori, Renate Meyer, Sarah Soule, and Patricia Bromley—along with our dedicated and welcoming local workshop organizers over the years. The 2025 edition was hosted wonderfully by Associate Professor Martina Vukasovic (SCANCOR and PhD workshop alum) at University of Bergen, and in 2026 the workshop will be held at University of Gothenburg.

We are also pleased to share that SCANCOR has refreshed its visual identity with a new logo and an updated website, designed to better reflect our mission and to make information on programs and opportunities more accessible.

In line with its mission, SCANCOR is expanding its role in the international organizational studies community. Since 2020, we have supported the biennial James G. March Prize at EGOS, awarded for the best article in *Organization Theory* (OT) and jointly presented with EGOS and OT. Recent recipients include Vern Glaser, Neil Pollock, and Luciana D’Adderio (2022) and Michael Power (2024). From 2026, we will also support the Joanne Martin Trailblazer Award with the OMT Division of the Academy of Management, recognizing scholars who open new lines of inquiry in the field. This summer, we were delighted to reconnect with many of you at our receptions during the EGOS Colloquium in Athens and the Academy of Management Meeting in Copenhagen, where alumni and friends once again demonstrated the vibrancy and generosity of our community.

Most importantly, we are delighted to announce **the launch of SCANCOR-Scandinavia** on Sept 1, 2025, and welcome the first cohort of invited senior scholars to our Copenhagen Business School hub. An open call for applications will be soon underway for the 2026 fellowships. SCANCOR-Scandinavia will serve as a Nordic hub, connecting US, Nordic, and other scholars across seven locations: Copenhagen (Copenhagen Business School), Gothenburg (University of Gothenburg), Helsinki (Aalto University), Oslo (University of Oslo), Stockholm (Stockholm School of Economics), and at our associate members in Jena (Friedrich Schiller University Jena) and Vienna (WU-Wien).

Across all its initiatives, SCANCOR continues to advance the legacy of Jim March and the founding Nordic scholars, sustaining organizational scholarship across boundaries, fostering reciprocal exchange, and providing a space for critical inquiry and collaboration in challenging times.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to your ongoing engagement with SCANCOR. We warmly invite you to reach out if you would like to learn more about our programs and activities, or if you wish to share ideas for new initiatives we might pursue together.

Sincerely,

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