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Making Public Sector Productivity Practical: report

[Bart van Ark](#) has produced [a report](#) in conjunction with [Capita](#), which looks at how public sector productivity can be increased. It provides an overarching guide looking at the barriers, opportunities and drivers of productivity growth in public services. Read the accompanying [blog post](#) from Bart and [Diane Coyle](#).



TPI 2022 Business Conference

This year's conference, being held virtually on 21 September, will look at "Strategic Productivity: why the leadership team needs to focus on productivity for real growth". Register on [Eventbrite](#).



The UK's FDI Position Post Brexit and Covid: briefing

[Nigel Driffield](#), [Xiaocan Yuan](#) and [Fernando Gutierrez Barragan](#) have produced a [TPI briefing](#) looking at foreign direct investment in the UK. It is the first in a regular series of notes tracking the changing patterns of inward investment as we emerge from Covid-19.



The ScaleUp Institute's Business Survey 2022

This [survey](#) gives scaling businesses the chance to highlight key issues and challenges that need to be addressed by the next government. The deadline is 23 September.



Tax cut vows are a distraction from the UK's woeful productivity

Diane Coyle's [article in the Financial Times](#) (paywall) says that productivity growth is essential for improving living standards, but the Conservative leadership race is focusing on tax cuts instead.



Northern Ireland's Productivity Problem

In this [NIESR publication](#), [David Jordan](#) argues that discussions about Northern Ireland's economy prioritise the pandemic, the NI Protocol and the rising cost of living, but miss the importance of persistently low productivity.



Funding: UKRI Innovation and Research Caucus

[Apply for funding](#) to lead a network of innovation and research funding experts. The £6m grant is open to principal investigators based at UK research organisations eligible for UKRI funding and business, third sector and government body co-investigators. Closes **27 September**.



International Productivity Monitor: 42nd edition now available

The latest issue of this journal features articles about productivity in construction value chains, the effect of China on manufacturing productivity in other countries, and a number of pieces for the IPM's Symposium on Well-being. [Download the journal](#) for free to read articles from [Diane Coyle](#), [Conal Smith](#), [Tim Hazledine](#) and more.

TPI expertise

- Diane Coyle and [Leonard Nakamura's paper](#) from the latest IPM was referenced in [Tim Harford's FT article](#) (paywall) about UK productivity through the

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lens of Legoland.

- [Mike Emmerich](#), a member of TPI's Advisory Committee, was featured in [a piece](#) for The Mill (paywall), which discussed his role in devolution for Manchester and what is required for real levelling up.
- Bart van Ark and [Philip McCann](#) were quoted in a [Telegraph article](#) (paywall) looking at the reasons why UK productivity growth is regionally unequal.



Research opportunities

The Productivity Institute and its partners are offering the following research job and publication opportunities:

- **Call for special issue papers** from the British Journal of Management. This special issue on *Reimagining business and management as a force for good* encourages theoretical and empirical contributions on how business and management is taking on a broader social purpose in order to address grand societal challenges. Closes **15 October**. Submit an article on [Wiley Online Library](#).

Upcoming Events

14 September Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Nigel Driffield.

21 September TPI Business Conference. Register on [Eventbrite](#).

28 September Brown Bag (TPI academics only). Frank Geels & Jean-Francois Mercure.

5 October Brown Bag seminar (TPI academics only). Chris Warhurst & Derek Bosworth.

12-13 October World KLEMS Conference 2022, [hosted by TPI at AMBS](#).

TPI Publications

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