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In this issue we present two papers revolving around the case study issue. In the first paper Alaranta and Kautz (2012) utilize a case study to confirm their framework for understanding how information systems are integrated when a merger occurs between companies with differing systems. Their framework integrates three perspectives: structuralist, individualist, and integrative.

The second paper by Halaweh (2012) justifies the use of grounded theory as an analysis method comparable to that of case study. After a discussion of the two methods (grounded theory and case study) the author provides an example for applying the proposed methodology (grounded theory) to e-commerce security perception research.

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