



### CALL FOR PAPERS

Workshop “**Knowledge Frontiers and Entrepreneurship**” (KFE 2018)

Indiana University Europe Gateway, Berlin, Germany.

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**08-09 March 2018**

Submission Deadline: February 15, 2018 (1700 GMT Time).

**Keynote speaker: Prof. Dr. David B. Audretsch, Indiana University Bloomington, USA**

We are pleased to announce that the Workshop on Knowledge frontiers and Entrepreneurship will be held on 08-09 march 2018 at the IU Europe Gateway, Located in the Kreuzberg neighborhood in Berlin, Germany. **Workshop is by invitation and there is no charge.**

The workshop will establish a platform for researchers to discuss recent issues related but not limited to knowledge creation, knowledge spillover and knowledge commercialization as well as regional and urban entrepreneurial ecosystems. The workshop will connect researchers and create partnerships, to jointly find answers to open questions in knowledge management research.

The purpose of workshop is to bring new research ideas and methods to bear on existing challenges in knowledge sourcing, knowledge spillover and commercialization as well as deliver specific policy-relevant outputs. Workshop will demonstrate an innovative and interdisciplinary approach yielding new conceptual understanding of knowledge frontiers of entrepreneurship research at firm, industry, regional and country levels. The research outputs should inform policymaking and / or public awareness of the topic in Europe and internationally.

In addition the workshop aims to produce interdisciplinary policy relevant insights on knowledge management and impact public policy.

#### **Possible Research Questions**

Some broad research questions that might be addressed by contributions in the workshop might include:

- How does ecosystem approach help to better understand interactions between entrepreneurial actors at firm, industry and regional levels?
- How does knowledge spillover work across variety of business partners, type of knowledge and distance between an entrepreneur and a source of knowledge?
- What is an appropriate research methodology for entrepreneurship research: used of mixed methods.
- What are the internal and external factors that explain the diverse mechanisms of knowledge creation, and knowledge spillover?
- What are the most efficient financial mechanisms of entrepreneurship?
- How does the cultural, political and institutional factors interplay with knowledge creation for new business venturing and growth?
- The role of knowledge conduits, including Information and Communication Technologies in expansion of new business ventures and their growth?
- New research on scale-ups and high-growth entrepreneurship: theory and practice.

### **Participants**

The workshop will be international in scope or orientation, interdisciplinary and/or multi-stakeholder projects led by established or emerging researchers based in the Europe and the world, able to demonstrate creative thinking and potential to apply innovative research methods to address knowledge management challenges.

### **Abstract (Manuscript) submission:**

For participants wishing to present their research we invite to submit an extended abstract (up to 5 pages) or full manuscript. Should you opt for the full manuscript (title page, abstract and main document with references and appendixes) it is no longer than 8,000 words, including references. Any materials that are relevant, but not essential, should be included in an appendix (single space and Times New Roman Size 10) for program considerations. Submissions must be made in American or British English. For submission style, please refer to

<http://www.springer.com/business+%26+management/journal/11187>.

Submit to: [m.belitski@reading.ac.uk](mailto:m.belitski@reading.ac.uk)

Acceptance notification 20 February 2018.

**Selected works will be invited to submit to a special issue in International Entrepreneurship and Management Journal (and) Small Business Economics Journal with the deadline 15 April 2018.**

### **Workshop organizers**

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