

## Third International Workshop

# ENTREPRENEURSHIP, CULTURE, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

FUNDP-University of Namur, Belgium

June 14 & 15, 2012

Entrepreneurship research is thriving, with hundreds of scholars around the world contributing to our better understanding of the entrepreneurial phenomenon. The disciplinary entries are numerous, as well as are the topics of interest. Efforts are substantial, and the results already achieved considerable. That said, the way we understand and address the issues is noticeably enhanced by considering, debating, and confronting our existing knowledge and what our peers are doing. For fundamental, true, scientific progress, we need deep and constructive exchanges. The Third International Workshop ENTREPRENEURSHIP, CULTURE, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT is specifically designed to facilitate high level, high intense discussion and fruitful exchange between scholars involved in entrepreneurship research. The number of participants is limited in order to support strong individual participation and the development of convivial relations.

Preceded by the first, held at the University of Caen, France, in June 2008, and the second, held at the University of Cartagena, Spain, in June 2010, the Third International Workshop ENTREPRENEURSHIP, CULTURE, FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT will take place in Belgium at the FUNDP-University of Namur, on June 14 & 15, 2012. It will be organized in accordance with the above principles. We expect a tremendous forum to discuss recent, original research conducted on entrepreneurship and small business. Papers and presentations will be in English. All submitted proposals, taking the form of full papers preferably, or extended abstracts, will be peer reviewed prior to acceptance. Deadline for submission is March 19, 2012. Decisions will be made and announced by April 9, 2012.

## TOPICS

Papers, either theoretical or empirical, must be clearly linked to Entrepreneurship and/or Small Business. Topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

Entrepreneurship and its Context  
Entrepreneurship and Regional Development  
Entrepreneurship and Education  
Entrepreneurial Motives  
Ambitious Entrepreneurship  
Universities and Entrepreneurship  
Business Incubation  
Entrepreneurial Finance and Venture Capital  
Intrapreneurship  
Networks and Entrepreneurship  
Entrepreneurial Culture  
Small Business and Crisis  
Creativity and Entrepreneurship

### *SPECIAL TOPIC FOR THE THIRD EDITION*

Entrepreneurship and Regional Policy

## DOCTORAL TRACK

Before the regular workshop sessions, a Doctoral track with feedback and discussion will take place. We, therefore, encourage PhD students to attend and to present their PhD projects and first drafts.

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Prof. David AUDRETSCH, Institute for Development Strategies, Ameritech Chair of Economic Development, Indiana University.

## IMPORTANT DATELINES

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## GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION

Papers must be submitted electronically to the following e-mail address:  
[ecfed@fundp.ac.be](mailto:ecfed@fundp.ac.be)

We ask authors to make their submissions using the Microsoft Word format. Adobe PDF files will also be accepted, if necessary.

Papers must be written in English. Use 12 pt Times New Roman fonts. Set the paper size to A4 (21 × 29.7 cm). The page margins must be set as: top 2.5 cm, left 3 cm, right 3 cm, bottom 2.5 cm. Include tables and figures in the text; ensure all figures and tables are cited in the text, in numerical order. Check that all the figures and tables are clearly legible. Suggested paper length is 20 pages, including all figures, tables and references.

The first page of the paper should contain the following information:

Paper title.

Authors: full name of authors, using numerical footnotes to indicate affiliations, if necessary.

Affiliation: provide addresses of the authors' institutes; email of the corresponding author.

Abstract (less than 200 words).

Topic of the workshop.

Keywords: 4 keywords.

#### EDITORIAL OUTLET

We expect a selection of papers to be published in a book by an international publishing company.

Regarding the special topic "Entrepreneurship and Regional Policy", we are working on publishing a selection of papers in a special issue of an international SSCI journal.

#### REGISTRATION FEE

Accepted contributors: 200 euros. Non-contributors: 350 euros.

Registration is free for PhD students accepted for the Doctoral track.

Registration fee includes: attendance, documentation, 2 lunches, 1 gala dinner and coffee breaks.

Registration fee must be paid before May 31, 2012 by bank transfer to:

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