



29 JUNE - 1 JULY 2012, SHEFFIELD, UNITED KINGDOM

SMALL GROUP MEETING



CALL FOR PAPERS

Submission deadline: 15.03.2012

Advances in the Psychology of Entrepreneurship

29.06. -1.07. 2012, Sheffield, United Kingdom

This EAWOP Small Group Meeting takes place immediately after the IWP Conference 2012

Aim and Agenda

The aim of this small group meeting is to advance the field of Psychology of Entrepreneurship in Europe and internationally. This will be achieved by bringing together senior and junior researchers working in the field, through developmental paper discussions, and by stimulating cross-cultural collaboration. The contributions for the meeting will be clustered around four broad topics. Provisionally, these are

1. Entrepreneurial Personality: From trait to process and interaction;
2. Advancing research on entrepreneurial careers;
3. Entrepreneurial leadership;
4. Affect and cognition in entrepreneurship.

A cross-cutting theme throughout the meeting will be to draw attention to cultural aspects.

Keynote Speakers

Confirmed international keynote speakers include:

Professor Per Davidsson, QUT Business School, Australia on Methods in Entrepreneurship

Professor Michael Frese, National University of Singapore and Leuphana University, Germany on the Psychology of Entrepreneurship

Professor Lorraine Uhlaner, EDHEC Business School, France on Social Psychology (Group Dynamics and Identity Theory) & Entrepreneurship

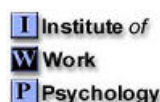
Professor Juergen Wegge, Dresden University of Technology, Germany on Leadership & Entrepreneurship

Confirmed UK keynote speakers include

Professor John Arnold, University of Sheffield, UK on Career Psychology & Entrepreneurship

Meeting Format, Dates and Location

This meeting will be a small scale workshop (max. 25 participants) taking place over three days 29 June – 1 July, 2012 at The Mercure St Paul's Hotel in the centre of Sheffield, UK. The meeting commences Friday 9am and ends Sunday 12 noon. We plan for approximately 15 oral presentations (lasting 20 minutes plus time for discussion) in addition to the keynotes. Submission of a paper indicates a commitment on behalf of the participant to be present for the full duration of the small group meeting. There will be no fees for participants. We aim to provide lunch and dinner free of charge for participants from Friday morning to Sunday.



Submission of Papers

Participants will be selected based on the quality of proposed papers. Papers should be sent to the organisers Dr. Marjan Gorgievski, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands gorgievski@fsw.eur.nl and Dr Ute Stephan, University of Sheffield, UK u.stephan@sheffield.ac.uk. Deadline for submission of papers is 15th March 2012.

Please ensure that papers comply with the following format: An abstract of 250 words and 4 to 6 pages of text (including tables, figures and references). The maximum paper length is 5 to 7 pages, overall, Times New Roman, 12pt, double spaced.

Authors will be notified about the acceptance of their submitted paper by the end of March 2012. Papers will be made available to all participants one month before the meeting, and it is expected that participants read all papers in advance in order to facilitate fruitful and in-depth discussions during the meeting.

Publication of Papers

Participants will receive feedback on their papers during the meeting with the aim to develop high-quality papers ready for submission to a special issue on the Psychology of Entrepreneurship, which we are currently negotiating.

Background to the Small Group Meeting Theme

Entrepreneurship contributes to employment creation, productivity and economic growth. At the same time, entrepreneurship has the potential to deliver innovative solutions to social and environmental problems. The numerous programmes for entrepreneurs and SMEs launched by the European Commission are recognition of entrepreneurship's importance for Europe. For the individual entrepreneur, entrepreneurship seems to be a highly satisfying career choice, one that arguably incorporates many aspects characterizing ongoing changes in the world of work, such as increased uncertainty, responsibility, time-pressure and insecurity. Thus, insights into the psychology of entrepreneurship can help work and organisational psychologists understand the effects of the ongoing changes in the world of work. Moreover, entrepreneurs as founders, owners and managers of their organisations shape not only fundamentally the main goals of their business, its organisational culture and core business practices; they also shape the work environment for their employees and thereby can have profound influences on their employees well-being and performance. The psychology of entrepreneurship is a relatively young research field that has the potential to advance our understanding of successful entrepreneurship in all its facets (economic, social, personal and societal).

The meeting is sponsored by the European Association of Work and Organizational Psychology (EAWOP), Erasmus University Rotterdam, NL and the University of Sheffield, UK.

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