

## **Call for Papers:**

### **6th European Conference on Innovation and Entrepreneurship**

Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, Scotland, UK 15-16 September 2011

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### **Mini Track on Entrepreneurship Education.**

**Track Co-Chairs:** Dr Doan Winkel, Illinois State University, USA and Dr Alexandros Kakouris, University of Athens, Greece.

This mini track will focus on various aspects of entrepreneurship education. Entrepreneurship education is a growing phenomenon in higher education institutions around the world. However, the pedagogy behind this phenomenon is fragmented at best, and the practical impact of entrepreneurship education is mostly unknown. Many of the components included in the entrepreneurship classroom have not been developed or implemented from a strong pedagogical foundation, and thus may not be the best tools and resources with which to prepare the next generation of entrepreneurs. For instance, common components of entrepreneurship education include business plan development, community outreach and simulations/gaming. While each of these has value in terms of providing an opportunity for students to learn important concepts and practice important activities related to entrepreneurship, the field lacks rigorous testing of the effectiveness of such “tools” in terms of both student’s learning experience, and their eventual entrepreneurial behaviour.

This track is designed to involve both educators and entrepreneurship researchers in a discussion regarding pedagogical approaches to teaching entrepreneurship, enhancing students’ classroom experience, and the linkages between current practices in entrepreneurship education and entrepreneurial behaviour.

Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- § Innovative teaching methods in entrepreneurship education
- § Nurturing creativity, entrepreneurial alertness, and opportunity identification
- § Linkages between entrepreneurship education and entrepreneurial behaviour
- § Enhancing entrepreneurial self-efficacy
- § Teaching entrepreneurship to non-business students
- § Connecting the community and the entrepreneurship classroom

### **Important dates**

Abstract submission deadline:	<b>24 February 2011</b>
Notification of abstract acceptance:	<b>03 March 2011</b>
Full paper due for review:	<b>14 April 2011</b>
Notification of paper acceptance (subject to any requested changes):	<b>23 June 2011</b>
Earlybird registration closes:	<b>07 July 2011</b>

Final paper due (with changes):  
Final author payment date:

**21 July 2011**  
**12 August 2011**

**Publication opportunity**

Papers accepted for the conference will be published in the conference proceedings, subject to author registration. Selected papers will be considered for a special issue of the International Journal of Entrepreneurial Venturing, a journal published by Inderscience.