



Call for papers for the  
**DRUID Academy Conference 2019**  
for doctoral students in

**ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF INNOVATION, TECHNOLOGY AND ORGANIZATIONS**  
Aalborg University, Rendsburggade 14, Aalborg, Denmark

January 16 at 2 pm – January 18 at 2 pm

The DRUID Academy conference is open for all PhD students working within the broad field of economics and management of innovation, entrepreneurship and organizations. We invite papers aiming at enhancing our understanding of the dynamics of technological, structural and institutional change at the level of firms, industries, regions and nations. DRUID is the node for an open international network - new partners are most welcome. We encourage all PhD students to submit their research to the conference. Do not hesitate to apply even if you have not been in contact with DRUID previously.

The main emphasis is on PhD presentations. Each PhD student paper will be assigned to a “junior” (a fellow PhD student) and to a senior discussant (from DRUID or invited guests). There will also be a series of keynote speakers in the program. The format provides a unique opportunity for the matching and mentoring of senior researchers with PhD students during the entire event.

We expect to be able to accept 65-70 PhD student presentations. If a greater number of abstracts are submitted, we will put limits on the number of students from each university. **Please read the guidelines carefully before submitting.**

#### **Plenary presentations**

We are inviting significant international scholars within this broad field to present their research. At this moment, we have confirmed presentations from **Stephen Roper** (Warwick Business School) and **Mette Præst Knudsen** (University of Southern Denmark). Together with a large number of DRUID and invited discussants, they will comment and interact with participants.

#### **The Bent Dalum PhD Award**

DRUID has an award for the most promising research project presented at the DRUID Academy Conferences. The award is given in the memory of Bent Dalum (1946-2010), one of the main drivers of joint PhD education in Europe within the field of innovation studies. He was active from the very beginning of the ETIC and DIMETIC programs and was one of the founders of DRUID and the main organizer of the DRUID Winter Conferences (now DRUID Academy Conferences).

#### **Submission**

All doctoral students who wish to present a paper at the DRUID Academy 2019 Conference must **submit an one-page abstract (no more, no less, no tables or graphs, and only few key references are allowed)** before the deadline of **November 7, 2018 (Twelve noon, your local time)** through the conference website [www.druid.dk](http://www.druid.dk).

## Guidelines

The abstract should start with the title of your submission, followed by your name, affiliation, year of enrolment, expected final date, and e-mail address. This information is to come before the body of the abstract, which should be written in plain text (that is, without bullet-points or other special codes). All above information is to be copied into the abstract field/box at the submission site.

The abstract should focus on your own contribution, not on what the existing literature has said. A few lines reviewing the existing literature are helpful, but only to position your contribution in the context of that literature. The abstract should mirror the full paper and could include following points: 1) briefly describe the existing state-of-the-art; 2) explain the research gap that you are trying to fill and pose a research question; 3) give your main theoretical arguments; 4) spell out your method (and data, if an empirical paper); and 5) present your results. **Submission of an abstract gives the organizers permission to disseminate it and the accompanying paper electronically or place it on the conference website.** We reserve the right to reject abstracts, which do not comply with the above requirements.

DRUID uses available software to control for plagiarism and to take appropriate action in severe cases. Details are available under Terms and Conditions on the website.

## Conference fee

Each participant will be charged a fee of Euro 300. The fee and the DRUID Academy will cover all meals from Wednesday January 16 after lunch until Friday January 18, lunch included. A list of hotels directions to the Academy Conference will be available on the website.

## Timetable (All deadlines are twelve noon, your local time)

Deadline for abstract submission: November 7, 2018

Decision of abstract acceptance: November 13, 2018

Deadline for registration and payment of conference fee: December 12, 2018

Deadline for submission of final paper: December 12, 2018

Program available: December 21, 2018

## Conference Organizers

Christian R. Østergaard (Chair), Jacob Rubæk Holm, Kristian Nielsen, Kristina Vaarst Andersen, and Jeanette Hvarregaard (Secretary)



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