Abstract Deadline: November 6, 2006

Call for Papers Announcement

DRUID-DIME Academy Winter 2007 PhD Conference

Venue: Hotel Comwell Rebild Bakker (see transport here).
Aalborg, Denmark

Timing
The conference commences at Thursday, January 25, 2007 at 2 pm and concludes at Saturday, January 27, 2007 at 2 pm.

Theme:
Geography, Innovation and Industrial Dynamics

The conference is organized by the DRUID Academy for doctoral education and training (see further: http://www.druid.dk/academy/) in collaboration with the EU 6th Framework Network of Excellence DIME Consortium (Dynamics of Institution and Markets in Europe). The conference is open for all PhD students working within the broad field of "industrial dynamics". We invite papers aiming at enhancing our understanding of the dynamics of technological, structural and institutional change at the level of the single firm as well as at the inter-firm level and the level of the economy as a whole. DRUID is the node for an open international network - new partners are always of interest (we of course encourage DRUID Academy PhD students and students connected to the ETIC PhD program to submit an abstract as well). Do not hesitate to apply even if you have not been in contact with DRUID previously.

Program
The main emphasis is on PhD presentations. Each PhD student paper will be assigned to a "junior" (a PhD student) and to a senior discussant (from DRUID faculty or invited guests). There will also be a handful of keynote speakers in the program. The details of the program, titles of keynote presentations etc. will be continuously updated at the DRUID homepage.

The invited guests are:
• Ron Boschma, Faculty of Geosciences, Utrecht University, NL
• Bo Carlsson, Weatherhead School, Case Western Reserve University, USA
• Margaret Kyle, London Business School, UK
• Brian Loasby, University of Stirling, UK
• Paul Nightingale, SPRU, University of Sussex, UK
• Olav Sorenson, Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto, CAN
• Bart Verspagen, ECIS, Technische Universiteit Eindhoven, NL
• Sid Winter, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, USA

Timetable
Opening of registration and submission site: October 2, 2006
Deadline for submission of extended abstract (see below): November 6, 2006.
Notification of acceptance of abstract: November 14, 2006.
Deadline for payment of conference fee: January 4, 2007
Final deadline for full papers: January 4, 2007.

Submission
All doctoral students who wish to present a paper at the DRUID-DIME Academy Winter 2007 Conference must submit an extended abstract (minimum 1000 words; maximum 2000 words) before the deadline of November 6, 2006 through the conference website www.druid.dk/winter2007. The abstract should start with the title of your submission, followed by your name, affiliation, 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). The abstract should focus on your own contribution, not on what the existing literature has said. A review of the existing literature is necessary, but only to position your contribution in the context of that literature. The abstract should mirror the full paper and should: 1) briefly describe the existing state-of-the-art; 2) explain the research gap that you are trying to fill; 3) give your main theoretical arguments; 4) spell out our method (and data, if an empirical paper); and 5) present your results. Please use the active voice for your abstract and presentation. Your abstract will not be edited; you are responsible for avoiding spelling, grammatical, and typographical errors. Submission of an abstract gives the organizers permission to include it and the accompanying paper in the conference material and to disseminate it electronically or place it on the website.

Conference fee
Each participant will be charged a fee of Euro 250. The fee and the DRUID Academy will cover the expenses regarding the hotel and food from Thursday January 25 after lunch until Saturday January 27, lunch included. As our resources for travel grants are limited, we strongly encourage you to seek local finance for your travel costs. In case you cannot find local finance you can apply for support by the DRUID Academy by sending an e-mail to winter2007@druid.dk when you submit your abstract. Local co-finance would be helpful in the latter case.
Transportation
Given the rather high costs of domestic air transport in Denmark, we definitely encourage you to use the train, which stops rather close to the conference hotel (at Skoerping 30 km south of Aalborg).


Conference E-mail: winter2007@druid.dk.

HOTNEWS
Before the conference, DRUID (Copenhagen Business School Branch) will organize a PhD Course on “Getting my Research into Journals”. The course will be held at the Copenhagen Business School Tuesday 23 and Wednesday 24 of January. This course is intended to deal with the basic issues of the process of publishing in scholarly journals. At the end of the course, students will be familiar with the requirements for publishing articles in various types of outlets in management and related fields. The course is organized by Keld Laursen and Peter Maskell. Applications should be sent separately to: Merete Ettrup (phd-courses.ivs@cbs.dk) stating your name, email, department and university. The participation fee for the “Getting my Research into Journals” course is € 320.