## 2ND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

# ENTREPRENEURSHIP, INNOVATION AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

THEME:

Entrepreneurship and Innovation Crossroads: Triggers, Catalysts and Accelerators for Sustainable Regional Development

Committees Keynote Speakers Important Dates Info for Authors Registration Location-Travel Programme Home Topics

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#### CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

## **FRIDAY 24 APRIL**

8:30 - 9:15	REGISTRATION
9:15 – 9:45	OPENING
09:45 - 10:45	KEYNOTE SPEAKER:  • David WHITE - "Creativity, Entrepreneurship, Innovation: threats and opportunities"
10:45 – 11:15	COFFEE BREAK
11:15 – 13:00	KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:  Iordanis ARZIMANOGLOU - "Thessaloniki Innovation Zone: Work in Progress"  Simon BENSASSON - "Leveraging e-skills for Innovation in the Knowledge Society"
13:00 – 14:30	LUNCH
14:30 - 16:30	SESSION 1: Governmental and Regional Policies on Entrepreneurship and Innovation I
Parallel	SESSION 2: Human Resource Practices for Promoting Innovation for SMEs
	SESSION 3: Entrepreneurship Education I
16:30 – 17:00	COFFEE BREAK
17:00 - 18:00	SESSION 4: Business Incubation Management and Leadership
Parallel	SESSION 5: SMEs Leadership and Management Practices I
	SATURDAY 25 APRIL
9:00 - 10:00	KEYNOTE SPEAKER:  • Elias CARAYIANNIS - "Inter- and Intra-Regional Development Dynamics: The Emerging Paradigm of Quadruple Helix Public-Private Partnerships and Mode 3 Knowledge Production and Learning across Innovation Networks and Knowledge Clusters"

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	Innovation Networks and Knowledge Clusters"
10:00 - 10:30	COFFEE BREAK
10:30 - 12:00	SESSION 6: Innovative Supply Chain Management Practices in SEE
Parallel	SESSION 7: Entrepreneurship Education II
	SESSION 8: Governmental and Regional Policies on Entrepreneurship and Innovation II
12:00 - 13:00	<u>SESSION 9</u> : Opportunities-Barriers for Closer Cooperation between SEE SMEs in Innovation & Entrepreneurship
Parallel	SESSION 10: Entrepreneurship Education III
	SESSION 11: SME Knowledge Management and Technology Transfer
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH
14:00 - 15:00	SESSION 12: SMEs Leadership and Management Practices II
Parallel	SESSION 13: Innovation Policies in SMEs
	SESSION 14: Managing and Leveraging Complexity, Creativity and Innovation in SMEs
15:00 - 16:30	Panel Discussion, QaA, CLOSING - Coordinator: Simon BENSASSON

## LIST OF ACCEPTED PAPERS

#### SESSION 1: Governmental and Regional Policies on Entrepreneurship and Innovation I Session Chairperson: Prof. Nicos Komninos

Alexandra Braga, Carla Marques, Vitor Braga. What Factors Affect the Portuguese SMEs Decision Making on Innovation? Maria Chachamidou, Stergios Logothetidis. Challenges for National & Regional Support Programs to Promote Academic Entrepreneurship in Emerging Technologies

Domnica Cotet, Ioan Piturescu, Maria Dumitrache, Nicoleta Gudanescu. Romanian Research and Development System, Support for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Ljupco Davcev. Improving the Business Climate for SME from the Food Industry

Joao Ferreira, Carla S. Marques, Cristina Fernandes. Contribution of Location Theories for Regional Development: An Empirical Study Applied to Technology-Based Firms

Vasyl Hnatovych Gerasymchuk, Taras Vasylyovych Sakalosh, Svitlana Viktorivna Andros. Export Potential Receptivity of

#### SESSION 2: Human Resource Practices for Promoting Innovation for SMEs

Session Chairperson: Dr. Leslie Szamosi

Gabriela Bujor. Human Resource Management Practices Applied to SMEs: Increasing Self-Motivation through Attitude Management

Felipa Reis. Organizational Management in the Era of Knowledge

Ilija Cosic, Mladen Pecujlija, Marko Caric. Influence of Employees Age on their Attitude toward Inovation Process in Serbian

Amira Vejzagic-Ramhorst, Robert Huggins, Panayiotis Ketikidis. Social Capital and Clusters-Literature Review Felipa Reis. The Knowledge Economics and Model of Intellectual Capital in the Current Context of Globalization

#### SESSION 3: Entrepreneurship Education I

Session Chairperson: Prof. Elias Carayannis

Vassilios C. Kelessidis, Artemis Saitakis. Establishing an Academic Student Environment Conducive to Entrepreneurship and Innovation in the Region of Crete

Rauno Pirinen. Integrative Action in Higher Education, Industry Collaboration and Regional Development: an Action Research Approach

Mark Harris, Petko Ruskov, Lidia Galabova. Technology Entrepreneurship and Innovations in it Education in Bulgaria Zeljko Tekic, Ilija Cosic, Nenad Penezic. Technology Based Entrepreneurship and the Role of University: the case Of Serbia Tomasz Bartosz Kalinowski. National Policy on Entrepreneurship and Innovation - a case study from Poland Petko Ruskov, Milena Stoycheva. Graduate Student Company Learning Patterns

# **SESSION 4: Business Incubation Management and Leadership** Session Chairperson: Dr. Alexandros Psychogios

Dialechti Fotopoulou, Alexandros Psychogios, Leslie Szamosi. Towards an Understanding of Incubators' Training Needs: a South-Eastern European Perspective

Viktorie Klimova. EO-TSF Model: Model for Evaluation of Business Incubators

Titi Turcoiu, Octavian Stanasila, Adrian Mirea. Innovative Ideas in the Technological and Business Incubator of University 'Politehnica' Of Bucharest

## SESSION 5: SMEs Leadership and Management Practices I

Session Chairperson: Dr. Zoran Anisic

Vitor Braga. Conflicting Positions within the Family Firm - Generation's Different Entrepreneurial Attitudes to Business Co-Operation in Portugal

Nevena Curcic, Zeljiko Bjeljac, Natasa Pavlovic. Cluster Merging in Serbia – an Example of Tourist Clusters

Christos Kalantaridis, Ivaylo Vassilev. Firm Size and the Nature of International Relationships: Power Asymmetry and Mutuality in the Case of Globally Integrated Small Firms

## SESSION 6: Innovative Supply Chain Management Practices in SEE

Session Chairperson: Dr. Andrew Lyons

Ioannis Manikas. Traceability Assessment in the Greek Fresh Produce Sector

Fotios Misopoulos, Shpend Imeri, Ioanna Chacha. Supplier Performance Criteria - the case of SMEs in Former Yugoslavian Republic of Macedonia (Fyrom)

Dimitris Folinas, Ioannis Manikas. Design and Development of a Web Platform for Supporting Supply Chain Monitoring and Traceability

Maciej Urbaniak. The Perspectives of Building the Relationship with SME Suppliers in Supply Chain Through the Product Innovations

## SESSION 7: Entrepreneurship Education II

Session Chairperson: Mr. Thanos Hatziapostolou

Anastasios Vasiliadis, Chryssi Vitsilakis, Hlias Efthymiou. Entrepreneurship and Entrepreneurial Intentions: the Education Effect Elissaveta Gourova, Albena Antonova, Yanka Todorova. Industry-Academia Collaboration in Bulgaria - the case of Sofia University

Zdenko Klepic, Lidija Lesko, Branimir Skoko. Analysis of Competencies and Needs for Training of Potential Entrepreneurs for Starting Own Business in the Herzegovina Region

Ivan Jekic, Leslie Szamosi. Project Management as a Facilitator of Institutional Change Management: the case of Academic Hospitals in Serbia

## SESSION 8: Governmental and Regional Policies on Entrepreneurship and Innovation II Session Chairperson: Prof. Vassilios Kelessidis

Laura Juznik Rotar. Labour Market Differences among Slovenian Regions: A Cluster Analysis Approach Vladimir Zitek. Innovation Support in the Czech Republic and its Regional Context John Clendenin, Joshua Gill. *Towards an Integrated South-Eastern European Trade Facilitation Cluster* William Luddy. Legal Aspects in Trade Facilitation

### SESSION 9: Opportunities and Barriers for Closer Cooperation between SEE SMEs in Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Session Chairperson: Mrs. Cotet Domnica

Zoran Anisic, Boris Tudjarov, Alexander Tsigkas, Christos Chatzopoulos, Robert Freund. Mapping of Mass Customization Activities in Central and Southeast Europe

Robert Freund, Christos Chatzopoulos, Alexander Tsigkas, Zoran Anisic. Open Innovation for Entrepreneurs in Central European

Zlatko Langovic, Violeta Cvetkovska-Ocokoljic. Surviving of Business Systems and Information Technology

## SESSION 10: Entrepreneurship Education III

Session Chairperson: Dr. Radmil Polenakovik

Radmil Polenakovik. Indicators for Evaluating Entrepreneurial Learning in the Higher Education Maria Nisheva, Elissaveta Gourova, Albena Antonova. ICT and Entrepreneurship Skills at FMI Yanka Todorova, Petko Ruskov, Elissaveta Gourova. Building Scenarios as Part of Strategy Modeling for FMI RTDI Strategy Maja Azlen. Research of Entrepreneurial Features of Students Reasons against Being Entrepreneurs and Actions

#### SESSION 11: SME Knowledge Management and Technology Transfer

Session Chairperson: Prof. Petko Ruskov

Snezhanka Ovcharova. Knowledge Management and Innovative Behaviour of Small and Medium Enterprises

Athina Oikonomidou, Kay Martin, John Strouboulis. Setting up an Intellectual Property Protection System in a Greek PRO. The experience of BSRC "Al. Fleming". Proposals to Improve Legal, Policy and Financial issues

Albena Antonova, Dessislava Petrova-Antonova. Web 2.0 Technologies, Knowledge Management and Challenging Business Opportunities

Radu Jecu, Ioana-Carmen Popescu. TTI Partnership for the Reinforcement of the Mineral Resources Economic Sector in South-East European Countries

#### SESSION 12: SMEs Leadership and Management Practices II

Session Chairperson: Prof. Christos Kalantaridis

Ana Langovic Milicevic, Tatjana Cvetskovski. Realization of Business Activities in Respect of Cultural Factors Vesna Raskovic And Vojin Senk. Useful Strategies Applicable in Small Innovative Companies in Serbia Adnan Rovcanin, Zijad Dzafic. The Role of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises in the Process of Transitional Countries Development: Case of Bosnia and Herzegovina

#### **SESSION 13: Innovation Policies in SMEs**

Session Chairperson: Mr. Nikos Zaharis

Tiit Elenurm. Innovation Management Challenges in Estonian Enterprises

Dorina Kabakchieva, Kamelia Stefanova, Roumen Nikolov. SMEs Network Processes Harmonization and Collaborative Environment Development

Andrea Katic, Zoran Anisic, Danijela Lalic, Ilija Cosic. Open Innovations as a Model for Increasing Competitiveness and Knowledge Transfer

## SESSION 14: Managing and Leveraging Complexity, Creativity and Innovation in SMEs

Session Chairperson: Mrs. Violeta Sfouri

Ibrahim Arpaci, Ali Arifoglu. Technological Innovation in Public Sector

Satu Parjanen, Mirva Hyypia. Leveraging the Creativity and Collaboration in Fragmented SME, a Case Study Approach Loukas Tsironis, Alexandros Psychogios. Towards a Systematic E-Business Excellence Framework



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