



CENTRE FOR INNOVATION, RESEARCH AND COMPETENCE IN THE LEARNING ECONOMY

## CALL FOR PAPERS

CIRCLE special session on

***“Academics Entrepreneurship and Innovation – bridging perspectives and pushing the frontier”***

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Academics entrepreneurship and innovation are often advanced as important vehicles for research-based industrial and innovative activity, not least to convert scientific breakthroughs and technological achievements into industrial and commercial successes. Despite a significant interest from both the policy and scientific community, there are several ‘knowledge gaps’ pertaining to the frequency, determinants and impact of different types of academics entrepreneurship and innovation. A particularly unexplored area is the intersection of academics entrepreneurship and innovation systems. For instance, entrepreneurship research tends historically to be more centered on individuals, while innovation scholars emphasizes institutional and ‘systems’ perspectives. Entrepreneurship and innovation policy have also traditionally often been separated from each other. The idea is a special session which combines studies looking at the phenomena of academics entrepreneurship and innovation from different angles (individuals, firms, parent organizations, support systems and systems of innovation).

We welcome contributions dealing the following issues:

- Characteristics of academic professionals and industry R&D personnel engaged in new firm formation.
- Organizational structures and characteristics of universities and private industry organizations (firms) that spawn research-based spinoffs
- Performance and impact heterogeneity of research-based spinoffs from universities as well as private business R&D milieus.
- Interactions between different determinants of academics entrepreneurship and innovation
- Innovation systems dimensions of academics entrepreneurship, and the intersection of innovation and entrepreneurship policy
- The relative role of determinants at different levels, eg. individual, sector, organization, region (system). How and to what extent do they interact in shaping academic entrepreneurship and innovation?
- Systems properties of (local) milieus promoting academic entrepreneurship phenomena.
- The role of innovation support systems such as TTOs and incubators.



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**Abstract submission deadline:** February 28

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