



First call for papers for the

DRUID-DIME Academy Winter Conference 2008

for doctoral students in

**ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF INNOVATION AND
ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE**

Hotel Comwell Rebild Bakker, Aalborg, Denmark

January 17 at 3 pm – January 19 at 3 pm

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Website: www.druid.dk/winter2008

The conference is open for all PhD students working within the broad field of economics and management of innovation and organizational change. 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 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.

The conference is organized by the DRUID Academy for **D**octoral **E**ducation and Training in collaboration with the EU 6th Framework Network of Excellence DIME Consortium (Dynamics of Institution and Markets in Europe).

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 faculty or invited guests). There will also be a series 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 confirmed invited senior scholars are:

- Maryann Feldman, University of Georgia
- Reinhilde Veugelers, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
- Paula Criscuolo, Tanaka Business School
- Alfonso Gambardella, Università Bocconi

- Gerry George, London Business School

This list will be continuously expanded.

Submission

All doctoral students who wish to present a paper at the DRUID-DIME Academy Winter 2008 Conference must **submit an one-page abstract** (no more, no less, no tables or graphs, a few key references are allowed on page two) before the deadline of **November 1, 2007** through the conference website www.druid.dk/winter2008. 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). The abstract should focus on your own contribution, not on what the existing literature has said. A few lines reviewing the existing literature is helpful, 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. We reserve the right to decline abstracts, which do not comply with the above requirements.

Conference fee

Each participant will be charged a fee of Euro 275, which includes an annual membership of the DRUID community. As member you will by surface mail receive copies of all 6 issues of the 2008 volume of the journal *Industry and Innovation* (see further <http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/13662716.asp>), as well as a reduction for participation in other DRUID events during 2008. The fee and the DRUID Academy will cover the expenses during the DRUID-DIME Winter Conference regarding the hotel and food from Thursday January 17 after lunch until Saturday January 19, 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 with information on why you need support to winter2008@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). (See details on transport on www.druid.dk/winter2008)

Registration

The conference website www.druid.dk/winter2008 will be open for registration by September 1, 2007.

Timetable

Deadline for abstract submission: November 1, 2007 (Twelve noon, Pacific time (GMT -8))

Decision of abstract acceptance: November 10, 2007

Deadline for registration and payment of conference fee: December 22, 2007

Deadline for submission of final paper: January 2, 2007 (Twelve noon, Pacific time (GMT -8))

Final program available: January 7, 2008

Conference Organizers

Michael S. Dahl (Chair), Patrick Llerena, Bent Dalum and Jeanette Hvarregaard

HOTNEWS

Before the conference, DRUID will help organize a PhD Course on "Getting my Research into Journals". The 2-day course will be held at the Copenhagen Business School on January 15-16, 2008. 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 Prof. Keld Laursen and Prof. Peter Maskell. Applications should be sent separately to: 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.