

We are happy to invite you to participate in small business and entrepreneurship research

21th Nordic Conference on Small Business Research May (27)28-29, 2020 at University of Southern Denmark

Since its inception in 1980 the NCSB conference has been a biannual event in the Nordic tradition characterized by an open atmosphere that encourages the exchange of ideas between researchers with research interests in the field of **small business and entrepreneurship**. The 2020 NCSB conference in Kolding, Denmark will continue this tradition and welcomes papers from all areas of the small business and entrepreneurship.

The conference will feature a mix of **special theme tracks**, **general tracks** and **paper development tracks**.

Special theme tracks will focus on research themes that are central in Nordic research on small business and entrepreneurship and will be announced later on the website. General tracks will be divided into an entrepreneurship track and a SME track. Special theme tracks and general tracks will feature presentations of research papers followed by constructive feedback in plenary discussions. In the paper development tracks, participants are divided into groups in which all participants have read the assigned papers, and time will be distributed to group discussions on how to improve the paper. The paper development tracks will be of particular interest and value to young scholars. An experienced scholar will be assigned to each group.

The conference program will also feature **keynote** speeches with prominent scholars (announced later).

Doctoral consortium (May 27)

Following a long and heralded tradition of the NCSB, the conference offers doctoral students an arena to develop their research projects through discussions with peers and experienced researchers in their line of research. The **doctoral consortium** will take place on May 27 and features several prominent scholars with a long experience in helping PhD students develop their projects.

The doctoral consortium will be organized and led by:

- Associate Professor Kent Adsbøll Wickstrøm (chair), University of Southern Denmark
- Professor Hans Landström, Lund University
- Professor Lene Foss, The Artic University of Norway
- Professor Ulla Hytti, University of Turku
- Associate Professor Per Blenker

The doctoral consortium will feature keynote speeches as well as intense discussions of research proposals or working papers.

Doctoral students accepted for the doctoral consortium get a reduced conference fee that also includes the main conference.

The number of participating doctoral students is limited to 20. Doctoral students interested in presenting their research proposal/paper should send a 1-page abstract no later than February 14 to ncsb2020_doctoral@sam.sdu.dk. Please write 'Doctoral consortium' in the subject line. Notification will be given by February 21.





Conference venue

University of Southern Denmark, campus Kolding

Getting to and from Kolding

The closest airport is Billund Airport, situated 40 kilometers from Kolding. Buses to Kolding leave the airport approx. once an hour (see timetable at the airport website **bll.dk/en-en**). A taxi from the Billund airport to Kolding is approx. 500 Dkr.

It is also possible to arrive at Copenhagen Airport and then go by train to Kolding (approx 3 hours) or arrive at Hamburg Airport and go by car or train to Kolding.

Important dates

Submission of abstract : 31 Jan, 2020

(max. 900 words)

Notification of acceptance : 17 Feb, 2020 Submission of full papers : 27 April, 2020

Conference registration and payment

• Early registration : Before March 15

• Latest registration : April 27

(only papers with at least one author registered by April 27 will be included in the program)

Conference fee

- Early bird conference fee (before March 15) 2.500 Dkr
- Conference fee (after March 15) 3,000 Dkr
- Participants at Doctoral consortium (including conference) 2,000 Dkr

Social program

Welcome reception (May 27)

Conference dinner (May 28)

More about the city of Kolding

visitkolding.dk

Publication opportunities

There will be organized special issues in academic journals related to the conference. Special issues are accepted in respectively European Journal of International Management and Management Revue - Socio-Economic Studies. More details later on the conference website NCSB2020.org.

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