UPCOMING EVENTS

Last Reminder! ABRI: KIN Summer School Application Deadline is Today: May 1, 2014
The KIN Summer School titled ‘Collaborating and innovating with new technologies’ will take place from June 29 till July 2. Application deadline is May, 1st. For more information please click here.

FADO: Seminar: May 8, 2014: Suzanne van der Ster and Gabor Maroti
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NEWS

Saint Petersburg State Technical University site visit

On April 24-25, a delegation from the Saint Petersburg State Technical University (SPbSTU) from Saint Petersburg, Russia, visited VU University and our Amsterdam Business Research Institute in particular.

During this 2-days visit, several possibilities for future cooperation in the field of research and education were discussed with the two Russian delegation members, consisting of the Director of SPbSTU’s Institute of Industrial Economics and Management, Dr. Valery Leventsov and the Deputy Director for International Affairs, Vladimir Shchegolev.

During the cooperation assembly on Thursday, May 24, ABRI’s Scientific Director, Prof. dr. Svetlana Khapova, the Director of VU University's International Office, Frans Snijders and the SPbSTU representatives signed an international student exchange agreement.

The student exchange agreement aims to broaden the inter-cultural education of Bachelor, Master and PhD students of the two universities by providing a unique learning experience in an international environment, as well as to promote broader co-operation between the two institutions.

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**ARCA: Research Seminar: May 12, 2014: Arnie Wright and Anna Gold**
Arnie Wright (Northeastern University) and Anna Gold (VU Amsterdam) will present their paper (co-authored with Patrick Klynsmit and Philip Wallage) titled: “The impact of auditor selection regime and audit committee strength on investment decisions”. The seminar will take place on May 12, from 12.00 to 14.00 in the main building room OG-08. To register for the ARCA seminar, please send an email to l.m.abinta@vu.nl.

**M&O: Mini-symposium: May 13, 2014**
Christopher Wickert and Koen van Bommel are organising a mini-symposium on "Institutional perspectives on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)". This workshop will feature a range of institutional theory based-views to understand dynamics in the field of CSR and in the broader business and society relationship. The symposium will take place on Tuesday, May 13th 2014 from 13.30 to approx. 16.30hrs at OG-11 in the "Filosofenhof", main building. Please send an email to k.van.bommel@vu.nl. to let know whether you would like to attend the seminar, in order to facilitate catering and room reservation. The symposium will include the following presentations: 1. Andreas Scherer (University of Zurich, Switzerland) - Managing institutional complexity: A case study on the legitimacy strategies of Puma. 2. Jean-Pascal Gond (Cass Business School, London) - Strategizing work for corporate social responsibility: How do actors bridge institutional and organizational strategic changes. 3. Christopher Wickert (VU) - Sawing off their own branches: The case of institutional work and CSR professionals 4. Koen van Bommel (VU) - From values to value: Commensuration of Dutch sustainability reporting. After the formal part (the symposium), it might be nice to have a more informal part: go for drinks at the campus bar (The Basket) and for dinner at a restaurant in the city centre. Registration for the dinner has been closed.

**ABRI: Research Seminar: May 13, 2014: Stella Pachidi**
Stella Pachidi will present her paper titled “What happens when analytics lands in the organization? Studying epistemologies in clash” on May 13, from 16:00 – 17:00 in BelleVUe room 0H-20. This seminar will be followed with drinks in the Basket.

**FADO: Seminar: May 22, 2014: Lia van Wesenbeeck and Menno Pradhan**
Lia van Wesenbeeck (SOW-VU) and Menno Pradhan (Development Economics) will deliver two presentations on the topic “Public Policy”. This event will take place in room 7A-06 at 12:00-13:00. Lunch will be provided.

**ABRI: Lunch seminar: June 10, 2014: Tom Meyvis**
Dr. Tom Meyvis from New York University Stern School of Business will present his work “Contrasting Against the Future: How Much You Enjoy an Experience Depends on What You Expect to Happen Next”. The seminar will take place on Tuesday, June 10 from 12:00-13:00 in room 2A-06 (VU University main building) and will include lunch. To register for this event, please send an email to: n.m.konijn@vu.nl before June 8.

**ABRI: Research Seminar: June 10, 2014: Montserrat Prats Lopez**
Montserrat Prats Lopez will present her paper titled “Crowdsourcing for exploration: consequences for coordination and identity ” on June 10, from 16:00 – 17:00 in BelleVUe room 0H-20.