UPCOMING EVENTS

**Count down: application deadline Research MSc programme**

Per this week students with a Dutch degree will only have **a few hours** left to apply to the newly accredited Research MSc Business in Society. We can start in September when enough students enroll for it! So please contact your best third year (international) bachelors students who are curious and analytical, and have an interest in research, and make them aware of the Research Master!

The new programme will become the main way of getting into a (3-year) PhD position and allows students to find their own specialization within business administration, but also to broaden their view. It is comparable to the international MPhil degrees (but in the Netherlands we have MSc) and what makes us special is that it is a joint degree (from both VU and UvA), the 'flavour' of Business in Society and emphasis on theory development. More information can be found on our [website](#) or by contacting Maura Soekijad.

**ACE/ACE Connect: Amsterdamse Student Ondernemersprijs (ASOP): April 30, 2015**

ACE and ACE Connect organize a presentation for the six finalists of ASOP for students and new graduates with their own company on April 30. The event takes place at 19:00 in De Rode Hoed, Keizersgracht 102, Amsterdam. For more information please click [here](#).

**ABRI: Deadline Application KIN Summer School: May 1, 2015**

ABRI kindly invites early career researchers (PhD candidates, post-doctoral researchers and junior faculty) to participate in the 5th KIN Summer School to be held in Amsterdam, July 6 – July 9, 2015. This Summer School is organized by the KIN Research Group of the VU University Amsterdam together with the Amsterdam Business Research Institute (ABRI). For more information click [here](#).

**ABRI: Deadline Application Workshop on Quantitative Cross-Cultural Research Methods: May 1, 2015**

ABRI kindly invites PhD candidates and post-doctoral researchers to participate in the Workshop on Quantitative Cross-Cultural Research Methods, to be held in Amsterdam between June 23rd – 26th, 2015. The Workshop on Quantitative Cross-Cultural Research Methods is organized by the Marketing Department at VU University Amsterdam and the Amsterdam Business Research Institute (ABRI). For more information please click [here](#).

**KNAW: PhD Students on Science 2.0: May 1, 2015**

What do PhD Students think of the quality of their PhD programmes, the pressure to publish, career prospects in academia, and funding? During this discussion afternoon, they take centre stage. The language of the afternoon is English and the afternoon will be on 1 May 2015 from 15:45 to 17:00 hrs, in The Trippenhuis Building, Kloveniersburgwal 29, Amsterdam. For more information please click [here](#).
SERVUS is delighted to announce their forthcoming Servant-Leadership symposium on May 4th, 2015, 13:15-18:00 hrs in the Main Building of VU.
The symposium Servant-Leadership in Crisis Situations is the 11th in an annual symposium series organized by SERVUS. The symposium is a meeting place for international Master students in Business Administration, professionals and practitioners to strengthen the link between theory and business practice. This event with its focus on Crisis Situations goes beyond the cognitive approach to explore our inner strengths and vulnerabilities within people and organizations. How do people cope with crisis in their working life and through experiences of vulnerability develop personal strengths? An organizational crisis such as unemployment, IT failure, closure of a department or clashing corporate cultures after a merger, may turn out to become an opportunity. Servant-Leadership is expressed in both handling (the prevention of) a crisis and at the same time creating a durable corporate culture where people feel safe. For companies this implies matching individual and organizational needs while serving employees through all seasons of business and personal life.
This symposium brings together cutting-edge thinkers and practitioners across disciplines, leveraging the global human needs to learn, serve and lead in their unique way. The symposium will include keynote presentations, workshops and a plenary debate to shed light on the gentle art of serving and leading, and how leaders can serve to acknowledge each other’s fragility and strengths. In dialogue with the audience, we aim to explore leadership dilemmas that arise across cultural orientations, responding to the needs of the other in times of crisis.
Registration for the symposium has been closed. For more information please click here.

ARCA: Seminar: May 4, 2015: Kelvin Lui
Kelvin Lui (Northeastern University) will present his paper (co-authored with Flora Kuang and Bo Qin) titled: “CFO Social Ties and Financial Restatements”. This seminar will take place on Monday, May 4 from 12.00 to 14.00 in 8A-44 in the Main building. To register for the ARCA seminar, please send an email to: l.m.abinta@vu.nl.

HIGHLIGHTED: RESEARCH CENTRE ARCA

The Amsterdam Research Center in Accounting (ARCA) was launched on September 1, 1998 in an attempt to stimulate research in Accounting and Auditing at the VU. The center brings together researchers from the department of Accounting, the postgraduate program Accountancy and external researchers in accounting and auditing. Currently ARCA hosts 12 PhD students and 22 research staff, none of whom is fulltime employed at ARCA. Since its inception, the center produced 20 PhD’s, around one per year on average. ARCA is also used as a label to attract commissioned research, mainly from auditing firms, the national accountants organization NBA, ministries, the AFM, municipalities and hospitals. ARCA is financially supported by the postgraduate program Accountancy and receives revenues from the part-time MSc program Accounting & Control.

The research in ARCA is diverse and is clustered around four themes: (1) auditing; (2) management accounting; (3) financial accounting and (4) governance and compliance. Research in auditing focuses mainly on behavioral auditing, and studies ways in which the quality of audit work can be improved. We produced papers on auditors' risk assessments, audit client acceptance and continuation decisions, auditor's skepticism and error culture in auditing firms (how should auditing firms discuss and handle errors committed in the audit process). The management accounting theme is the oldest and most developed area in ARCA and focuses on three topics: performance management (target setting and evaluation decisions), cost system development (design and use of new systems) and control of interorganizational cooperation. These themes are studied in different environments in the field (commercial and nonprofit organizations) as well as in experimental settings. In financial accounting we find research themes as the historical analysis of the development of international financial reporting standards (IFRS) and of reporting standards for governmental entities (IPSAS). The newest theme is governance and compliance. Here we
study how regulation and oversight can be arranged in such a way that regulation costs are minimized and subjects are motivated to comply.

If you want to know more about ARCA, please visit our website or contact the director, prof.dr. Tom Groot, email t.groot@vu.nl.

EVENT OVERVIEW SPRING 2015

ACE Venture Lab: Bootcamp: May 11, 2015
Learn how to build your company – join the Bootcamp by ACE Venture Lab from 11th to 15th of May. ACE Venture Lab organizes a 5-day Bootcamp for researchers, senior scientists and MSc students. We invite a team of Silicon Valley specialists and startup experts to mentor you on launching your business. Interested to join? Read more about the program and apply before 1st of May. For questions contact info@ace-vlab.nl.

ABRI: Research Seminar: May 19, 2015: Anne Kranzbühler
Anne Kranzbühler will present her paper “The differential effects of expert and peer advice in health care decision making” on May 19, from 16:00 – 17:00 in BelleVUe room 0H-19. Drinks in the Basket will follow the seminar.

Limperg Instituut: Symposium: May 20, 2015
The Stuurgroep Statistical Auditing of the Limperg Instituut organizes a Symposium “Auditkwaliteit geborgd” on May 20, in the Auditorium of VU University, from 13:00 – 17:30. Please register before May 5. For more information click here.

FADO: Seminar: May 21, 2015: Dominic Detzen and Stefan Heusinkveld
Dominic Detzen (Accounting) and Stefan Heusinkveld (M&O) will deliver two presentations on the topic “Professionals under pressure”. The event will take place in room 7A-06 at 12:00 – 13:00. Lunch will be provided.

M&O: Lunch Seminar: May 21, 2015: Luca Carollo
On May 21, Luca Carollo from the University of Milan (Italy) will present his paper entitled “CSR managers talk: occupational rhetoric between continuity and change in organizations” The seminar will take place from 12:30-13:30hrs in room 8A-44 (and will include lunch). For the abstract please click here.

PhD Council: Social Activity and Dinner: May 27, 2015
The Social Activity and the PhD Dinner will take place on May 27. More information will be announced soon.

FEWEB: Farewell Lecture: May 29, 2015: Léon de Caluwé
On May 29 at 15:45 in the Aula prof.dr. L.I.A. de Caluwé will deliver his farewell lecture titled “Spannend veranderen: over spanningen bij veranderen en adviseren”.

ABRI: Junior Researcher Graduation Day: May 29, 2015
The Junior Researcher Graduation Day will be on May 29 (afternoon) in BelleVUe, room BV 1H17. Save the date!

ABRI: PhD Defence: June 1, 2015: Linn Kolbe
Linn Kolbe will defend her dissertation titled “The mindset of the R&D professional: Decision making in innovative contexts” on June 1 at 15:45 in the Aula of the Main Building of the VU University Amsterdam.

ABRI: Junior Researcher Application Deadline: June 1, 2015
For excellent master students who are considering to do a PhD in business, organisation or management, ABRI offers the opportunity to spend 8 months in a paid position as a Junior Researcher. The position includes an advanced research study as part of the ABRI Doctoral Programme in Business and
Organisation, as well as a research position with Amsterdam Business Research Institute (ABRI). The programme’s goal is to develop a PhD proposal, to experience real scientific research with 2-3 research groups within ABRI, and to develop academic research and writing skills. Top students who are interested in this programme can find more information about the application procedure on the ABRI website.

ABRI: Seminar: June 2, 2015: Jani Merikivi
Jani Merikivi will present his paper entitled “Binge watching: a system usage perspective” on June 2 between 12:00-13:00 in room BV 1H17 (BelleVUe Building). Lunch will be included. To register for this event, please send an e-mail to: m.diezdonoso@vu.nl before May 28th, 2015. For the biography and abstract please click here.

FADO: Seminar: June 4, 2015: Ines Lindner and Svetlana Borovkova
Ines Lindner (Econometrics) and Svetlana Borovkova (Finance) will deliver two presentations on the topic “Networks”. The event will take place in room 7A-06 at 12:00 – 13:00. Lunch will be provided.

M&O: Research Day: June 4, 2015
This 2nd research day, which will be held on the 4 June, from 13-17h. will (mainly) consist of paper presentations, both plenary and round table sessions, and we’ll close with drinks and snacks. For more information email bart.de.jong@vu.nl.

ACE: Entrepreneurship Day: June 8, 2015
On June 8 the Amsterdam Center for Entrepreneurship (ACE) will organise the Entrepreneurship Day for students and starters in collaboration with Loopbaan Advies Centrum UvA en HvA and Centrum voor Studie en Loopbaan VU. For more information please click here.

ACE: Ondernemerscafé: June 15, 2015
ACE Connect organizes an Ondernemerscafé – titled Crowdfunding – at Amsterdamse Academische Club, starting 19:30. For students, (beginning) entrepreneurs and other people interested in entrepreneurship. For more information please click here.

ABRI: Research Seminar: June 16, 2015: Susan Hilbolling
Susan Hilbolling will present her paper “Beyond synchronicity: the temporality of coupling and decoupling in innovation processes” on June 16, from 16:00 – 17:00 in BelleVUe room 0H-19. The seminar will be followed by a barbecue.

ABRI: Workshop on Quantitative Cross-Cultural Research Methods: June 23 – 26, 2015
ABRI organizes a workshop for PhD candidates and post-doctoral researchers on Quantitative Cross-Cultural Research Methods, in Amsterdam between June 23rd – 26th, 2015. The Workshop on Quantitative Cross-Cultural Research Methods is organised by the Marketing Department at VU University Amsterdam and the Amsterdam Business Research Institute (ABRI). For more information please click here.

FEWEB: VU Business school kick-off: June 30, 2015
On Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at 14:00 in Agora 1 the kick-off of the VU Business school will take place, followed by the Educational Award Ceremony for best Junior lecturer, best Senior Lecturer and best Student of 2014-2015. Following this there will be the Faculty Drink.

ABRI: KIN Summer School: July 6 - 9, 2015
This KIN Summer School is organized by the KIN Research Group of the VU University Amsterdam (www.kinresearch.nl) together with the Amsterdam Business Research Institute (ABRI). During 4 intensive days participants and faculty will discuss research in the field of IT, Knowledge and Innovation. The teaching faculty consists of an international group of professors, known for their research in the field: Samer Faraj (McGill University, Canada), Raghu Garud (Penn State University, USA), Michael Barrett (Judge Business School, Cambridge University, UK), Ulrike Schultze (Cox business school SMU, USA) and Marleen Huysman (KIN Research, VU University Amsterdam). For more information click here.

ACE and Rabobank: Summer School Ondernemerschap: July 6 -10
This event is for students who are planning to start their own business or who have already begun. During this summer school a complete business plan will be created. Experts from Rabobank Amsterdam, the Amsterdam Center for Entrepreneurship (ACE) and successful entrepreneurs will help with the start-up or development of your business. The courses will be in Dutch. For more information please click here.

ACE: Summer School: July 20 – 31
During the Amsterdam Summer School in July ACE offers international students the summer course New Venture Creation/Entrepreneurship. The course will take place from 20 July till 31 July at VU University. The course is intended for international students from all disciplines (so not only Business Studies) who are interested in the subject of New Venture Creation and Entrepreneurship. The aim is to have a very diverse and international group of students. For more information please click here.

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