ABRI: Information session Part-Time PhD programme: November 2, 2015
Enrolment for the third cohort of the (Executive) Part-Time programme is now open! Executives and management practitioners who aspire a PhD degree are invited to apply.

To get more information about the programme and to discuss their research topics, potential PhD candidates are invited to attend the upcoming information session on November 2.

During the sessions we will discuss:
• The Part-Time PhD programme’s design and teaching philosophy
• Key deliverables and objectives of the programme
• Working with world-class faculty on your PhD research project

The information session will take place at 17:30 – 19:00 in room HG 1A-36, main building of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. To register for the information session, please send an email to ABRI’s Policy Officer, Niki Konijn (n.m.konijn@vu.nl).

ARCA: Seminar: November 2, 2015: Herman van Brenk
On Monday, November 2, from 12.00 to 14.00 in 8A-44 (VU main building), Herman van Brenk from Nyenrode University will present his paper titled: “Audit Partner Incentives and Reward Sensitivity: Who May Be “The Wolf of Wall Street?”. To register for the ARCA seminar, please send an email to Partizia Abinta (l.m.abinta@vu.nl).

ACDC: Talk: November 3, 2015: Matt Coler
The Amsterdam Critical Discourse Community will organize a talk by Matt Coler, who studied Linguistics at the VU. The event will take place on November 3, from 11:30-13:00 in room 1G13. The title is “Senses and sensors: Cognition, technology and discourse”. For the abstract please click here. Please register by sending an email to Nicolina Montesano Montessori n.montesanomontessori@gmail.com

M&O: Lunch Seminar: November 3, 2015: Floor van den Born
On Tuesday, November 3, from 12.30 to 13:30 in 8A-44 (VU main building), Floor van den Born from the Management & Organisation Department will present her work, titled “Connectedness and Creativity: How Leader and Member Networks Combine to Influence Creative Success in Teams”. For the abstract please click here.

Christopher Wickert receives NWO Science for Global Development research grant
Christopher Wickert received a grant of 310.000 EUR from the NWO-WOTRO Science for Global Development Food & Business Applied Research Fund for the project “Strengthening Agribusiness Ethics and Quality Standards and ICT Usage in Uganda’s Value Chains – AGRI-QUEST”.
The NWO grant is in cooperation with local partners from Uganda, including Makerere University Business School in Kampala, Uganda, and the Ssemwanga Center for Agriculture and Food. The NWO-WOTRO Science for Global Development programme funds innovative research projects on global issues, with a focus on sustainable development and poverty reduction. Funded research projects are realised by interdisciplinary teams of researchers from the North and South and in close collaboration with non-academic stakeholders. These partnerships yield solutions for development challenges and strengthen the bridge between research, policy and practice. The grant covers the years 2016-2018.

The NWO project Christopher is involved in aims to develop and promote ethics, sustainability and quality standards via the innovative use of information and communication technologies in Uganda's agricultural value chain. A better business climate that fosters a permanent and positive gradual change in practices & attitudes in agribusiness towards ethical behavior and quality standards can have a lasting impact on local food security initiatives and aims to gear Uganda towards achievement of the recently launched United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The project will draw on multi-stakeholder engagement that involves various agribusiness players, and will utilize engagement processes that include capacity building of local farmers and other value chain players for dissemination of research results.

For more information, see the [NWO website](#) or [Christopher's webpage](#) at the Department Management and Organization.

**RTL Z: Dr. Marius Rietdijk at Van Liempt Live**

Is it a good idea to pay your staff big bonuses? Dr. Marius Rietdijk, Scientific Director of ADRIBA at Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, argues the opposite is true in the RTL Z talkshow Van Liempt Live. Click [here](#) to watch the video.

‘Giving employees more freedom will result in better ideas’. Read Saskia Nijs’ (ABRI Part-time PhD) column in FD!

Every 4 weeks, Saskia Nijs writes a column for the Dutch newspaper ‘Het Financieele Dagblad’ in the section ‘Tech Team’. In Tech Team, four columnists write about new technology and how this may influence the working life of entrepreneurs, business leaders or corporate employees. In writing the column, Saskia takes turns with David Langley (internet, innovation and strategy researcher at TNO and RUG), Jaap-Henk Hoepman (computer science researcher at Radboud University and scientific Director of the Privacy & Identity – Lab) and Valerie Frissen (CEO SIDN Fund and professor ICT & social change in Rotterdam).

You can read the article (in Dutch) by clicking on [this link](#).

**EVENT OVERVIEW**

**AUTUMN 2015**

ABRI: Information Session MSc Honours Students: November 10, 2015
The Info session for MSc Honours students will be held on November 10, from 13:00 till 13:30 in room W&N 639. Please note the change in room number.

PhD Council: Dinner: November 18, 2015
The PhD Council organizes a dinner for PhD’s and JR’s on 18 November in Brouwerij Troost, Cornelis Troostplein 21, 1072 JJ Amsterdam. Time to be announced. Save the date!

**ABRI: Seminar: November 30, 2015: Stephen Zhang**
On November 30th, Stephen Zhang from Pontifical Catholic University of Chile, will give a presentation about: “How Effectual and Casual Entrepreneurial Approaches Lead to Biases Differently”. The seminar will take place from 12:00-13:00 in OH-19. To register for this event, please send an e-mail to ABRI’s Programme Assistant, Sevda Demirci: t.s.demirci@vu.nl latest November 27. For the abstract please click here.

**M&O: Lunch Seminar: December 1, 2015: Steffen Giessner**
Prof. Steffen Giessner (Rotterdam School of Management) will present his paper “Job satisfaction and supportive leadership during organizational merger – a longitudinal, organizational level study” on 1 December from 12:30 till 13:30 in room 8A-44. Lunch will be provided.

**ABRI: Research Seminar: December 8, 2015: Daniel Sagath**
Daniel Sagath will present his paper “Dynamics of Institutional Logics in the space sector” on 8 December, from 16:00 – 17:00 in room 1G-11. The seminar will be followed with drinks in the Basket.

**ABRI: Seminar: December 15, 2015: Yulia Snihur**
Yulia Snihur will present her paper “What leads to business model innovation in new firms?” on Tuesday 15 December in room BV 0H38 at 16:00. To register for this event, please send an e-mail to: m.diezdonoso@vu.nl before 11 December 2015. For the abstract and a short biography please click here.

**EURAM: Deadline call for papers: January 12, 2016**
The submission deadline for papers for the next Euram conference that will be held in Paris from 1-4 June 2016 for the track “Corruption or Collaboration: The Implications of Cultural Practices for Global Business and Management” is on January 12, 2016. This track has been proposed by SERVUS. For more information please click here.

**ACE: Business Trip to Silicon Valley: Jan 18, 2016**
Are you an entrepreneur and is your company ready for the next step? Would you like to go to Silicon Valley to have one-on-one meetings with potential customers, partners and investors? For more information please click here.