UPCOMING EVENTS

Part-time PhD Info session I - 3 November
Enrolment of the 2018 cohort of the Part-Time (Executive) PhD 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 potential research topics, prospective PhD candidates are welcome to attend the information sessions on November 3 and November 20, 2017.

During the sessions we will discuss:
- The Part-Time PhD programme’s design and teaching philosophy
- Key deliverables and objectives of the programme
- Collaborating with world-class faculty during your PhD trajectory
- Your research ideas

Seminar Roy Suddaby - 7 November
We are very proud to announce that on Tuesday, November 7th, 2017, Roy Suddaby will visit the Vrije Universiteit, at the Department of Organization Sciences of the VU, and present his paper entitled: Managing the Authenticity–Legitimacy Paradox: The Rhetorical Construction of Fair Trade, 1999-2013

Should you wish to attend the lecture, we kindly ask you to let us know by sending an email to Yvette Taminiau at: y.taminiau@vu.nl
For a short biography and abstract please click here.

Inaugural Address Hans Berends - 9 November
Prof.dr.ir. J.J. (Hans) Berends will hold his inaugural address titled "Innoveren in een digitaliserende wereld" on 9 November at 15:45 in the Aula.
NEWS

4 million Euro Horizon 2020 ITN grant for SBE career researchers
A team of SBE career scholars — Prof. Dr. Svetlana Khapova, Niki Konijn, Dr. Jos Akkermans, Dr. Evgenia Lysova, together with an international consortium of leading European universities and business partners, received a 4 million EUR Horizon 2020 Innovative Training Network (ITN) grant for an international research project on “Global mobility of employees” (GLOMO).

The project is funded through the “Excellent Science” framework of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie / H2020 Actions of the European Commission. Partner institutions include: Bamberg University (Germany - project coordinator), Copenhagen Business School (Denmark), Cranfield University (United Kingdom), Institute for Employment Research (Germany), Toulouse Business School (France), Vaasa University (Finland) and Airbus SAS (France).

The project’s goal is to conduct international comparative research on employees’ career mobility, including career mobility of self-initiated expatriates, global workers and refugees.

GLOMO will last 4 years and will include the creation of 15 PhD-positions. Remarkably, not only is mobility the theoretical and thematic topic of the action, but it will also be lived through the project: all PhD-students will be based at a “host” institution, but will have secondments to one of the other partner universities as well as to thematically fitting partner institutions throughout Europe (e.g. companies, national ministries).

Through this structure, GLOMO will build an ambitious and unique network of senior and junior scholars in the field of global mobility. For further question about the project, please contact the SBE’s project coordinator Svetlana Khapova (s.n.khapova@vu.nl).

New dean for School of Business and Economics
Professor Arjen van Witteloostuijn was appointed the new dean of the School of Business and Economics (SBE), effective as of 1 February 2018.

Van Witteloostuijn has also been appointed to the chair of Business and Economics, embedded in both the Economics and Management and Organization departments at the VU School of Business and Economics.

"VU wants to be different, and is indeed different," says Van Witteloostuijn. "Diversity and inclusivity are top priorities, as is broad societal engagement. This appeals
and Law domain at the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW). Prior to this, he served as chair of the Economics section of the KNAW.

Van Witteloostuijn holds a PhD from Maastricht University and conducts multidisciplinary research at the interface between economics and business administration. In addition to his academic merits, he has gained broad administrative experience at various Dutch and international universities and has extensive teaching experience in regular academic and executive education programs.

The VU-SBE has all that it takes to make a real difference from its ideal location in the Amsterdam Zuidas district. By combining its multidisciplinary expertise and by offering excellent education and research, VU-SBE helps to solve business and economic problems of relevance to society. I very much look forward to contributing to these solutions.

The Executive Board and the faculty wholeheartedly believe that the university has gained a dean with a visionary, enthusiastic, and straight-forward management style who, as a unifying presence, will be capable of achieving the faculty's ambitions together with the academic community. Recruitment and selection took place in accordance with the appointment procedure, and in close collaboration with the faculty employment and student councils.

Wouter Stam joins editorial board of Journal of Business Venturing

Journal of Business Venturing (JBV) provides a scholarly forum for sharing useful and interesting theories, narratives, and interpretations of the antecedents, mechanisms, and/or consequences of entrepreneurship.

JBV is widely recognized as a top tier journal in the field of organization and management studies, as evidenced by its high impact factor ranking (rank #7 in Thompson’s JCR impact factor ranking for all business journals) and its inclusion in the Financial Times shortlist of top business journals. In addition to serving on JBV’s editorial board, professor Stam also serves on the editorial boards of other top tier journals such as Academy of Management Journal (AMJ) and Journal of Management Studies (JMS), while serving as action editor of Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice (ETP).

Wouter Stam receives Emerald Citation of Excellence 2017 Award

The paper entitled “Social capital of entrepreneurs and small firm performance: A meta-analysis of contextual and methodological moderators”, written by Wouter Stam and co-authors and published in Journal of Business Venturing (2014, vol. 29 (1)), has received the Emerald Citation of Excellence 2017 award.

The award recognizes papers that were among the most highly cited and highly influential papers published in 2014 relating to the areas of Business Management, Finance, Accounting, Economics, and Marketing.
Jos Akkermans in University of the Netherlands: How to get your first job

Finding a job is by no means easy in today's society. Jos Akkermans explains how to make sure that you are well prepared for the job market!

Jos is a behavioral economist and has been researching the labor market for years. In the latest lecture of the University of the Netherlands, he tells you what's important when you enter the job market. The AD paid attention to the broadcast:

"According to Akkermans, it's all about employability. It's includes everything you need to get to work. It's about:

- Expertise. You must be good at what you do.
- Adaptability. You must be able to update to the changes.
- Anticipation. You must be proactively before the change occurs.
- Corporate sense. You need to understand how the wheels spin in your company.
- Balance. You need to find a balance between work and private and between the tasks you do.

Employable is thus no longer more and more. It's the courage to say "no" and prioritize. According to the economist, a good dose of employability ensures that you can handle uncertainties. Even if you lose this job, you know you have a good chance of finding a new one. Working on your soft skills, keeping busy with yourself is his advice. You do not have to switch jobs every two years. Know what you want to learn and how to do that.

Read the entire article on AD.nl (in Dutch)