

**We are pleased to announce that the IECER 2013 conference is now open
for your abstract submission**



Call for Papers

IECER 2013

The 11th Interdisciplinary European Conference on
Entrepreneurship Research

**«Entrepreneurial Challenges in the 21st Century -
Current Research and Future Avenues»**

March 13–15, 2013 at the
Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Brescia, Italy

The 11th Annual Interdisciplinary European Conference on Entrepreneurship Research (IECER) will take place in Brescia, Italy. Leading organizer and host of this year's conference is the Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Faculty of Psychology. We invite you to submit an abstract outlining your contribution to the conference. Submissions for empirical and theoretical research papers will be welcome on the following and similar topics:

- Entrepreneurship and growth
- New firms and regional context
- Strategic entrepreneurship
- Academic entrepreneurship and technology transfer
- Family firms and transmission
- Managerial and service innovation in SME
- Small business cooperation
- Organisational behavior
- Crosscultural management and the learning organization
- Diversity and gender issues
- Crisis based entrepreneurship
- International entrepreneurship
- Social entrepreneurship
- Business integrity
- Social media marketing

Abstract Submission

You are invited to submit an extended abstract for presentation. Submitted abstracts should fulfill the following criteria:

- Abstracts should not exceed 2'000 words.
- Authors are limited to the submission of two abstracts.
- Please submit the paper as a word-document. Include all tables and figures in the document.
- Documents should not exceed 2MB.

Abstract Outline

Theoretical and empirical studies abstracts should use the following outline:

1. Introduction, research objectives, principle topic
2. Theoretical basis and literature review
3. Method
4. Results
5. Discussion and implications
6. Conclusion

All submissions are reviewed by the IECER Reviewer Board Members. This year, abstracts can only be submitted through the conference homepage. Evaluation criteria for extended abstracts are:

- Originality of work
- Scientific relevance
- Methodological approach
- Completeness of work
- Clarity in writing

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Presentation

The presentation includes 30 minutes presentation time (including discussion). **You are expected to submit an abstract by October 15, 2012, and a full paper by February 2013.** This full paper will be given out to all participants on a USB stick.

Best Research Paper Award

There will be a conference best paper award of € 1,000 for the best research paper presented by scholars at the conference.

Conference Publication

A selection of papers are planned to be published in a special issue granted by [the International Journal of Entrepreneurship & Small Business \(IJESB\)](#).

Registration

Please check our homepage for information about registration for the conference, travel and accommodation (www.iecer.eu/www.iecer.fr).

Fees

For attendees the fee including the social event is € 350. For presenters the fee including the social event is € 250. For students or doctoral students the fee including the social event is € 150.

Important Dates

Submission of Abstract	Oct. 15, 2012
Notification of Acceptance	Dec. 15, 2012
Submission of Full Paper	Feb. 1, 2013
Registration and payment	Feb. 1, 2013

Gala Dinner

The conference dinner will take place on March 14, in Brescia. The cost for participation will be € 50 and is not part of the conference fee.

Language

The conference language is English.

Conference committee

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