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3rd Call for Papers

The Ninth EARNet Symposium

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September 29th & 30th, 2017

Preceding Ph.D. Workshop September 28th, 2017

The European Auditing Research Network, EARNet (http://www.ear-net.eu/), founded in 2000, intends to foster research and exchange ideas among auditing scholars and researchers in Europe. Its primary objective is to promote European auditing research, including supporting auditing researchers in their early career. EARNet also aims to contribute to European policy-making in the auditing area.

The ninth European Auditing Research Network Symposium will be held on September 29th and 30th, 2017 in Leuven, Belgium. The Symposium is established as a major event in Europe for presentation and discussion of auditing research papers. It also provides a forum for academics, practitioners, policy-makers and standard-setters to discuss auditing research and current issues in the auditing environment. The Symposium includes parallel sessions of presentation and discussion of research papers, a plenary panel session and a keynote speech. The ***keynote speech*** entitled "Is audit market competition imperfect? Evidence and policy implications" will be given by Joseph Gerakos (Dartmouth College). The Symposium's ***panel session*** will focus on "How informative are extended audit reports, really?". There will be a best paper award.

Authors who submit a paper can opt to submit the paper for consideration of publication in a themed issue on "Innovative Auditing Research" of the International Journal of Auditing (IJA) dedicated to the EARNet Symposium. It is possible to submit a paper solely to the Symposium and not for consideration of publication in the Journal. Note further that acceptance of a paper for the conference does not automatically imply acceptance for the Journal. However, when accepted for consideration in the Journal, there will be a fast track review process. Papers submitted to *both,* the Symposium *and* the Journal should not have been previously published nor be currently under consideration for publication elsewhere. The format of these papers must follow the submission guidelines of International Journal of Auditing. ***All submissions must clearly indicate whether the paper is jointly submitted to the Symposium and the Journal, or solely to the Symposium. The papers must be in Word Format, anonymous, and accompanied by a separate Cover Sheet with author information.***

A Ph.D. Workshop will precede the symposium on Thursday, September 28th, 2017. The Ph.D. Workshop aims to promote high quality auditing research among young European researchers. Feedback on accepted Ph.D. proposals or Ph.D. related papers is provided by experienced international scholars in auditing research. The workshop faculty consists of Monika Causholli (University of Kentucky), Jere Francis (University of Missouri), Anna Gold (VU Amsterdam), Robert Knechel (University of Florida), Reiner Quick (Darmstadt University of Technology), Steve Salterio (Queen's University), Stuart Turley (University of Manchester) and Marleen Willekens (KU Leuven). ***Papers can only be submitted either to the Symposium or to the Ph.D. Workshop!***

Deadline for submission of papers to the Symposium and papers/proposals to the Ph.D. Workshop is ***April 30th 2017***. All authors will be notified of acceptance by ***July 1st 2017***.

The Conference Fee of 300 € (Early Bird Registration until August 15th, 2017) and 350 € (Registration from September 1st, 2017 until September 20th, 2017) respectively, includes coffee breaks, lunches, opening reception, and the conference dinner. Students whose paper is accepted for plenary presentation in the Ph.D. workshop get a conference fee waiver. The Ph.D. workshop itself is free of cost.

Additional information will be posted on the conference website: www.EARNET2017.com.

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