M&O Research Workshop - 1 June
On 1 June between 13.00 and 15.00 M&O will have a research workshop on “Framing your research question” in 9A-32 and 9A-33. For more information please click here.

ARCA Seminar Margaret Abernethy - 2 June
Margaret Abernethy (The University of Melbourne) will present her paper (co-authored with Henri Dekker and Jennifer Grafton) titled: “The Role of Accounting-based Controls in the Management of Strategic Change”. This seminar will take place on Friday, June 2 from 12.00 to 14.00 in 6A-37 in the Main building.
To register for the ARCA seminar, please send an email to: l.m.abinta@vu.nl

Farewell Address Harmen Verburggen - 7 June
In his farewell address, Harmen Verbruggen will share

Masterclass The Gentle Art of Helping - 8 June
Meindert Flikkema will present the masterclass "The
his personal insights on how sustainable development has become green growth and why the market seems to be assuming a leading role.

There was a time when government was expected to do everything when it came to national and international environmental policy. Consumers and businesses did not see it as their direct responsibility to take action. The concept of sustainable development, which was first

Gentle Art of Helping" (in Dutch). For the flyer please click here.

M&O Brown Bag Session Neil Thompson - 8 June
Neil Thompson would like to discuss reviewer comments for a second round of reviews on a recent paper titled "Integrating imagination into the study of collaborative creativity" with colleagues. The Brown Bag Session will be held on 8 June from 12:30 - 13:30 in the 4th floor meeting space/lunch area. For the abstract please click here.

NEWS
Wouter Stam new Scientific Director of ABRI
We are delighted to announce the appointment of Wouter Stam, professor of Entrepreneurship, as the new Scientific Director of the Amsterdam Business Research Institute (ABRI). Wouter Stam succeeds Svetlana Khapova, who recently started in the role as head of the Department of Management and Organization.

Andre Lucas, vice dean of research: “With Wouter we have secured a strong research focused leadership for ABRI to continue to build and extend the institute over the coming years. His international experience and reputation allow him to play a pivotal role in realizing the faculty’s international ambitions in business research.”

Stam currently already contributes to ABRI’s PhD programmes and the executive programmes of the VU Business School.

"In recent years ABRI has made remarkable progress in becoming an internationally recognized research institute that is committed to nurturing research excellence, talent and impact. I’m very excited to have the opportunity to build on Svetlana Khapova’s great leadership and help bring ABRI to the next level."

Professor Stam holds a PhD (with cum laude distinction) from the Faculty of Social Sciences of Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, examining the impact of social capital on the performance of entrepreneurial firms. During 2009-2015, he was a faculty member at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) where he taught in the undergraduate, MBA, and PhD programs and received a prestigious GRF research grant from the Hong Kong Research Grants Council. He has also been a visiting scholar at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania (2006-2007), and RSM Erasmus University (2014).

Wouter Stam has received several awards, including the Karen Legge Prize from the Journal of Management Studies, the Emerald Citations of Excellence Award, and Outstanding Reviewer Awards from the Academy of Management Journal and Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice. His research has been published in top tier academic journals including the Academy of Management Journal, the Journal of Management Studies, the Journal of Business Venturing, and Research Policy. He currently serves as editor for Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice, a leading journal in the field of entrepreneurship research, and is a
A closer look at out-of-category brand imitation
In a recent publication in the Journal of Consumer Research, titled "Out-of-Category Brand Imitation: Product Categorization Determines Copycat Evaluation", Femke van Horen and Rik Pieters take a closer look at brand imitation beyond the traditional product categories of copied brands.

For a non-technical summary of the research please click here.

Femke van Horen nominated for KNAW Young Academy
Femke van Horen has been nominated by the Executive Board of the Vrije Universiteit for the Young Academy of the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences (KNAW).

A special committee made up of members of the Young Academy and the Royal Academy selects ten new members every year. Members must have received their doctorate no more than ten years prior to their appointment to the Young Academy. They are appointed for a five-year period.

The Young Academy is a dynamic and innovative group of top young scientists and scholars between the age of 25 and 45. The Young Academy organises inspiring activities for various target groups focusing on interdisciplinarity, science policy, and the interface between science and society. The Young Academy has fifty members and represent a broad spectrum of scientific disciplines and work across the Netherlands.