UPCOMING EVENTS

**PhD Defence D.A.M. Ingels - 24 June**
Dirk A.M. Inghels will defend his thesis "Policy Modelling for Sustainable Waste Management" on 24 June at 11:45 in the Aula. More information about the thesis in VU-DARE.

**ARCA Seminar Xanthi Gkougkousi - 24 June**
ARCA would like to invite you to the following research seminar. Xanthi Gkougkousi (Nova School of Business & Economics) will present her paper: “Information content of aggregate loan loss provisions” (see abstract here). Please note that this seminar will take place on both a different day and time than usual. It will be held on Friday, June 24th from 14.00 to 15.30 in 5A-32 in the Main Building of the VU.

To register for the ARCA seminar, please send an email to: l.m.abinta@vu.nl

**ABRI Seminar Gerry Tellis - 29 June**
ABRI and the Marketing Department would like to invite you to a seminar given by Prof. Gerry Tellis from Marshall School of Business (University of Southern California). He does research in the area of innovations, is one of the best scholars in his field and has a fantastic track record both in academia as in practice. The seminar titled "Radical Innovation: Patterns, Pitfalls and Payoff" will take place on Wednesday June 29 at 14:30 in room 5A-36. To register for this event, please send an email to m.diezdonoso@vu.nl before June 27th. For more information, including the abstract please click here.
Dr. Emiel Eijdenberg successfully defended his thesis
On June 22, Emiel Eijdenberg successfully defended his PhD thesis, titled “Small business growth in East African Least Developed Countries: Unravelling the role of the small business owners” and obtained the grade of Doctor.

Departing from the aim to enhance economic growth and fight poverty, this PhD thesis explores the determinants that underlie small business growth in Least Developed Countries (LDCs).

On the basis of the findings from the five empirical studies in Burundi, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Uganda, the answer to the main research question: ‘To what extent do the owners determine the growth of their small business in East African Least Developed Countries?’, is that the growth of small businesses in East African LDCs is only partially determined by the owners. To a certain extent, while the owner can have multiple entrepreneurial motivations at the same time, and acting in necessity situations may generate opportunity motivations, small business growth is determined by a mix of motivations. However, entrepreneurial motivation does not play an important role for the determination of the development of the owner’s personal wealth in the informal economy. Furthermore, the owner’s effectuation and causation orientations have more or less no effect on small business growth; entrepreneurial orientation does not play any role of importance in the determination of the owner’s development of personal wealth in the informal economy; and small business growth is partly determined by the owner’s age.

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July 4 - 7 | Vrije Universiteit
Workshop-style event | The Entrepreneurship Experience Programme

July 11 - 14 | Vrije Universiteit
KIN Summer School | Registration closed

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