



**Workshop on  
Frontiers in Empirical Entrepreneurship  
Research**

**30<sup>th</sup> January 2013**

**University of Stirling, Court Room, Cottrell Building**

## Program

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8:30-9:00	Registration and coffee
9:00-9:45	Hans Hvide: <i>Do entrepreneurs matter?</i>
9:45-10:30	Michael Dahl: <i>Effects of working for start-ups.</i>
10:30-11:00	Coffee
11:00-11:45	Georgios Panos: <i>Risk Tolerance and Entrepreneurship</i>
11:45-12:30	Olmo Silva: <i>Home Ownership and Entrepreneurship</i>
12:30-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:45	Lars Persson: <i>Why Entrepreneurs Choose Risky R&amp;D Projects – But Still Not Risky Enough</i>
14:45-15:30	Oliver Falck: <i>Lifting the Iron Curtain: Socialization and Entrepreneurial Intentions of Students.</i>
15:30-16:00	Coffee
16:00-16:45	Claire LeLarge: <i>Firm Size Distortions and the Productivity Distribution: Evidence from France</i>
17:15-18:30	Round Table Discussion <i>Critical assessment of entrepreneurship policies</i>

## Profiles of the speakers at the Entrepreneurship Workshop

**Michael Dahl** is Professor of the Economics of Entrepreneurship and Organizations at the Department of Business and Management, Aalborg University, Denmark. Michael was a visiting scholar at Carnegie Mellon University, Stanford University, and Eindhoven Center for Innovation Studies. He also is a member of the board of directors of the Danish Research Unit for Industrial Dynamics (DRUID). Michael's research focuses on broad issues related to the organization and performance of new businesses, economic geography, migration, population ecology and health outcomes. Michael's full profile is available at <http://msdahl.com/>.

Michael will present the paper *Effects of working for start-ups*.

**Oliver Falck** is Ifo Professor of Innovation Economics at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich (LMU). Oliver is also deputy head of the Department Human Capital and Innovation

at Ifo Institute, one of Germany's leading research institutes of economics, and programme director of the CESifo research network. His research interests are in the intersection of innovation and education economics with a special focus on entrepreneurship, economic and social consequences of the diffusion of new technologies and programme evaluations. Oliver is the co-editor of the Handbook of Research in Entrepreneurship and Innovation published with Edward Elgar. His full profile is available at: [http://www.cesifo-group.de/ifoHome/CESifo-Group/ifo/ifo-Mitarbeiter/cvifo-falck\\_o.html](http://www.cesifo-group.de/ifoHome/CESifo-Group/ifo/ifo-Mitarbeiter/cvifo-falck_o.html).

Oliver will present the paper *Lifting the Iron Curtain: Socialization and Entrepreneurial Intentions of Students*.

**Stephan Hebl** is Reader in Economics at the University of Stirling. He is also affiliated with CESifo, IZA and SERC. Previously, Stephan worked as Senior Research Fellow in the Entrepreneurship, Growth, and Public Policy Group at the Max Planck Institute of Economics in Jena, Germany and was a visiting researcher at the University of Toronto, Canada. His current research is in the field of Urban Economics and Local Labor Markets where he focuses on the empirical identification of spatial disparities in the distribution of entrepreneurship, innovative activities, and human capital. Stephan is the co-editor of the Handbook of Research in Entrepreneurship and Innovation published with Edward Elgar. His full profile is available at <http://www.stir.ac.uk/management/staff-directory/economics/dr-stephan-hebl/>.

Stephan will start the policy round table with a presentation on *Critical assessment of entrepreneurship policies*.

**Hans Hvide** is Professor of Economics and Finance at the University of Bergen. He is also affiliated with CEPR, University of Aberdeen, and IZA. Hans' main research interests focuses on young firms and behavioral finance. Using a combination of economic theory and Norwegian register data, he addresses questions such as "Are entrepreneurs more risk tolerant?" and "Do individual investors hedge when they make investment decisions?" Hans' full profile is available at <https://sites.google.com/site/hanshvide/>.

Hans will present the paper *Do entrepreneurs matter?*

**Claire LeLarge** works for the French National Statistical Institute (INSEE). She is head of the division "Markets and Firms' Strategies" at the Department for Economic Studies. Her research focuses on Industrial Organization, Innovation, Organizational Change, and Firms in International Trade. Claire's full profile is available at: <http://www.crest.fr/ses.php?user=2992>.

Claire will present the paper *Firm Size Distortions and the Productivity Distribution: Evidence from France*

**Georgios Panos** is Lecturer in Economics at Stirling University. He has served as a consultant to the World Bank in multiple occasions and has been affiliated with EU-funded projects.

Georgios' research focuses on Labour and Personnel Economics, Behavioural Economics and Finance, Economics of Entrepreneurship. Georgios' full profile is available at <http://www.stir.ac.uk/management/staff-directory/economics/georgios-panos/>.

Georgios will present the paper *Risk Tolerance and Entrepreneurship*.

**Lars Persson** is Associate Professor of Economics and Deputy Director of the Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN) in Stockholm. His fields of interest are competition policy, entrepreneurship, industrial economics, international investments, and venture capital and private equity. Lars Persson is a research fellow at CEPR, London and the Swedish Entrepreneurship Forum. He is also a member of the prize committee of Global Award for Entrepreneurship Research. He has served as an economic expert judge at the District Court of Stockholm, and has been Visiting Professor at the European University Institute and Purdue University. Lars' full profile is available at:

[http://www.ifn.se/eng/people/research\\_fellows/lp](http://www.ifn.se/eng/people/research_fellows/lp).

Lars will present the paper *Why Entrepreneurs Choose Risky R&D Projects – But Still Not Risky Enough*

**Olmo Silva** is Senior Lecturer in Real Estate Economics and Finance at the Department of Geography and Environment of the London School of Economics. Olmo was a visiting scholar at the Taubman Center of the Harvard Kennedy School, he is also a Research Associate at CEP, Research Fellow of IZA and a Research Associate at SERC. His research interests cover the following areas: economics of education; urban economics; issues in applied growth; entrepreneurship. Olmo mainly carries out applied research using micro-economic data; as a result he is also interested in applications of micro-econometrics and the study of causality. His full profile is available at: <http://personal.lse.ac.uk/silvao/>.

Olmo will present the paper *Homeownership and Entrepreneurship*.