**KIN Summerschool 2013**
Collaborating and innovating with new technologies

Organised by
Amsterdam Business Research Institute (ABRI)
VU University Amsterdam

Target Group
PhD candidates and post doctoral researchers

Period
June 10\(^{th}\) - 13, 2013

Deadline for Applications
May 15th, 2013

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Purpose and Content

Literature on organizations and information technology (IT) has witnessed a change over the last few decades. Whereas it received a lot of attention until the end of the 1980’s, interest declined in the years following. IT was primarily used to automate existing operations and increase the speed of communication, with no significant changes nor impact on organizational forms and outcome. Mainly due to the rise of the Internet, the increased knowledge-intensity of organizational performance and the growing distributed and mobile forms of working and organizing, literature on IT and organizations has regained its importance in organizations since the past several years. Moreover, over the years the significance of using interpretive and process based research to study these new phenomena, has gained acceptance among a growing number of related international journals. As a result, there is a need among scholars to understand in more detail what and how to study learning and collaborating practices that emerges from the interplay between (new) technologies and new ways of working as well as the management thereof.

Building on the success of last year’s workshop (see [http://www.abri.vu.nl/en/events/courses-and-workshops/kin/archive/index.asp](http://www.abri.vu.nl/en/events/courses-and-workshops/kin/archive/index.asp)), this year’s workshop is designed to help develop the insights and skills of PhD and early career researchers in theory development and methodologies within this multi-disciplinary field of knowledge, information technology and networks (KIN). The purpose is to expand academic skills in order to conduct and publish valuable research.
After this workshop, participants will:

- Be familiar with research literature on latest development related to organizational collaborating and innovating with (new) technologies
- Have the capacity to combine, integrate, and critically discuss the various perspectives and research methods and apply these to the analysis of current organizational challenges.
- Have insight into the relevance of the literature discussed in this course to participants’ own research project.
- Have a sense of what makes top quality research in this area.

**Faculty**

**Marleen Huysman** (chair)  
VU University Amsterdam, The Netherlands

**Hans Berends**  
VU University Amsterdam, The Netherlands

**Andrea Carugati**  
Aarhus University, Denmark

**Samer Faraj**  
McGill University, Montreal, Canada

**Jennifer Whyte**  
University of Reading, UK

**Format**

Internationally recognized faculty in information technology, innovation and organizational collaboration will discuss recent theoretical and methodological advances and will also provide insight into their own research projects. This will allow participants to gain further understanding of theoretical underpinnings and recent empirical applications.

Participants will engage in intensive sessions with faculty, were they not only actively engage in discussions related to the insights offered by the faculty but also, if desired by the participants, receive feedback on their own research. The format of the course provides ample opportunity to discuss participants’ own work in progress. We will also have a more general session on writing, reviewing and publishing led by the faculty.

In order to prepare, the workshop requires prior reading, including several classics as well as faculty publications. Those applicants selected for participation will receive a syllabus with the reading materials.
## Programme topics

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| **June 10** Monday 10am – 1pm | New Ways of Working                                    | **Marleen Huysman**  
*Professor of Knowledge & Organization*  
*VU University Amsterdam (NL)* |
| **June 10** Monday 2 pm – 5pm | Technology & complex collaboration                    | **Samer Faraj**  
*Professor of Technology, Management & Healthcare*  
*McGill University (Canada)* |
| **Evening** |                                                      | Drinks at the Campus                                                    |
| **June 11** Tuesday 10 am – 1 pm | Information Technology and New Forms of Organizing    | **Andrea Carugati**  
*Associate Professor of Information Systems*  
*Aarhus University (Denmark)* |
| **June 11** Tuesday 2pm – 5pm | “Writing, reviewing, getting published”                | All faculty                                                            |
| **Evening** |                                                      | Dinner in city centre                                                   |
| **June 12** Wednesday 10am – 1pm | Analyzing processes of organizational learning, innovation & collaboration | **Hans Berends**  
*Associate Professor of Organizational learning and Innovation,*  
*VU University Amsterdam (NL)* |
| **June 12** Wednesday 2pm – 5pm | Digital coordination over time: learning from complex engineering projects | **Jennifer Whyte**  
*Professor in Innovation and Design,*  
*University of Reading (UK)* |
| **June 13** Thursday 9 am – 1pm (?) | Presentation and discussion of individual research projects | All faculty                                                            |
ECTS Credits

Those students who want to receive (6) ECTS credits are required to hand in a paper within two months after completion of the PhD course in which a selection of the literature discussed during the course is applied to the research project of the participant. Papers will be reviewed by the faculty, where manuscripts graded as ‘sufficient’ result in 6 ECTS credits.

Admission Requirements

The selection committee looks forward to admitting candidates from a variety of backgrounds and universities. In particular, the committee will be interested in those applicants showing a clear connection to the field of Information Technology, New ways of working and Organizational collaboration and learning.

Fees and Expenses

The participation fee is 400 Euros which include catering during the workshop including lunches, the drinks on Monday and the dinner on Tuesday evening. All participants will be responsible for their own travel and accommodation arrangements and associated costs. Selected candidates will receive more information regarding the appropriate accommodation arrangements and may also contact Katie Stephenson with further questions. Upon admittance to the seminar, an invoice will be send to your academic institution.

Application Procedure

Interested PhD candidates are asked to register via [www.abri.vu.nl](http://www.abri.vu.nl), and submit all required documents before May 15th, 2013 to Katie Stephenson.

1) Completed application form;
2) A summary of max 2 pages including biographical sketch and a summary of research work in progress (e.g. papers and research proposals) that will be discussed and developed during the seminar.

Acceptance will be communicated before May 30th, 2013.

Contact details

For further information please contact Marleen or Katie, or visit ABRI’s website for the KIN Summerschool. The website will continuously be updated with developments in the programme as well as other information.

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