

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

IGL Winter Research Meeting 2019

Field experiments on entrepreneurship, innovation and productivity

Amsterdam, 21 November 2019

Nesta's Innovation Growth Lab (IGL) is holding their annual Winter Research Meeting on Thursday, 21 November 2019, at the Vrije Universiteit (VU) Amsterdam, The Netherlands. The meeting showcases academic research that uses experimental methods to explore the drivers of innovation, entrepreneurship and business productivity, and to inform policies aimed at accelerating growth in these areas.

Call for Abstracts

We are inviting researchers to submit abstracts for research to be presented at the IGL Winter Research Meeting 2019. We welcome experimental research in the areas of **science and innovation, entrepreneurship and business growth**.

More specifically, we encourage abstracts on **randomised controlled trials (RCTs)**, as well as abstracts for review papers synthesising evidence or drawing on generalisable lessons learned.

Research at different stages of completion will be accepted for the meeting. The IGL Research Meeting serves as an opportunity to present and receive feedback on **design stage as well as ongoing or completed work**.

Important Dates

16 September 2019	Deadline for abstract submission
Early October	Notification of acceptance
31 October 2019	Deadline for successful applicants to send in finalised abstract and full paper or research proposal
21 November 2019	Research Meeting

How to submit your abstract

Please consider the following guidance and notes on submitting:

- Abstract length should be a minimum of 100 words and should not exceed 400 words (excluding the title and the author list). The language of the conference will be English; therefore the Committee will only accept submissions in this language.
- Abstracts should clearly demonstrate relevance to the call.
- All submitted abstracts will be reviewed by at least two reviewers who will evaluate them based on the criteria mentioned below.
- If you already have a draft paper or research proposal available, please submit it alongside the abstract.

To submit an abstract of your paper, [please click here](#).

Registration

Submission of your abstract does not automatically register you for the Research Meeting. If your abstract is accepted for presentation at the Research Meeting, you will be notified in early October 2019 and invited to register for the event online. Registration is free, but all participants are responsible for their own travel and accommodation.

Selection of abstracts

The IGL Research Meeting Organising Committee and the IGL Scientific Committee will manage the review process for the proposals in the themes set out above and decide about the balance between themes and projects at different stages of completion. Accepted abstracts will be included in the meeting programme. Researchers may be asked to act as discussants for other papers presented at the meeting.

The IGL Scientific Committee members are:

- Nick Bloom (Stanford University)
- Dietmar Harhoff (Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition)
- Karim Lakhani (Harvard Business School)
- Josh Lerner (Harvard Business School)
- Fiona Murray (MIT Sloan School of Management)
- Mark Schankerman (LSE)
- Scott Stern (MIT Sloan School of Management)
- John Van Reenen (MIT Sloan School of Management)

The selection of abstracts will be based on the following criteria: relevance for the call; clarity and explicitness of the research aims and questions; methodological rigour; generalisability of lessons learned (if applicable); impact on the wider community (incl. policymakers and/or practitioners); and quality of the research.

When choosing between abstracts of similar quality, we will give priority to submissions by women, people of colour, LGBTQ+, non-binary or gender non-conforming people, people with disabilities, and other traditionally underrepresented groups.

PhD Workshop

On Wednesday, 20 November 2019, ahead of the IGL Winter Research Meeting, we will be organising a workshop for PhD students at the Tinbergen Institute in Amsterdam. For more information or to apply, please see the [Call for Applications for the PhD Workshop](#).

Privacy and Use of Data

In connection with this Call for Abstracts, Nesta may share your details with members of the IGL's Scientific Committee (see above). *Find out more about how we use personal information in our [Privacy Policy](#).*

For any enquiries relating to this call, please contact the IGL team at innovationgrowthlab@nesta.org.uk.