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# 4<sup>th</sup> International ZEW Conference on the Dynamics of Entrepreneurship (CoDE)

18 and 19 June, 2018, Mannheim

Formation, growth and exit of firms are crucial for innovation, employment and structural change in modern economies. The aim of this conference is to discuss recent scientific contributions on the interdependencies between finance, human capital, innovation and investment activities of young firms as well as public policies to promote them. Theoretical, empirical, and policy-oriented contributions from all areas of entrepreneurship research are welcome. The non-exhaustive list of topics includes:

- Impact of industrial dynamics (entry and exit) on aggregate productivity dynamics
- Direct and indirect contributions of entrepreneurial firms to innovation
- Personality traits and motivation of entrepreneurs
- Human capital of founders and employees
- Entrepreneurial teams
- Socio-demographic aspects of entrepreneurship (e.g. ethnic entrepreneurship, migrant entrepreneurship, and female entrepreneurship)
- Digital entrepreneurship
- Incubators, corporate and academic spin-offs
- Scale-ups, gazelles and unicorns
- Financing young firms: (corporate) venture capital, business angels, crowdfunding, and banks
- Employment, wages, and workplace quality in entrepreneurial firms
- Impact and efficiency of public entrepreneurship policies
- Impact of entrepreneurship on established firms
- Entrepreneurship in aging societies

#### INVITED SPEAKERS:

**Nadine Levratto** (CNRS, University of Paris Ouest Nanterre) · **Maria Minniti** (Syracuse University) · **Henry Sauermann** (ESMT Berlin)

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**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** 8 April, 2018. Interested researchers are invited to submit a paper or extended abstract to [entrepreneurship2018@zew.de](mailto:entrepreneurship2018@zew.de). Notifications of acceptance: by 27 April, 2018.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** 31 May, 2018. The conference fee is EUR 225, which covers the conference package, meals, refreshments, coffee breaks and the conference dinner. For participants presenting a paper, the conference fee is reduced to EUR 195. A selected number of travel grants for junior researchers will be available upon request. Presenters will be asked to discuss another paper. Papers and further information on the conference will be made available on the conference web page: [www.zew.de/entrepreneurship2018](http://www.zew.de/entrepreneurship2018)

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