



Dear Colleague,

We are happy to invite you to the **2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON NETWORKS, LEARNING AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**, Waterford, Ireland, December 7-8, 2011. The theme of the conference is *Entrepreneurial Networking and Learning within Regional Economies*. This event will be hosted by **Centre for Enterprise Development and Regional Economy, Waterford Institute of Technology** in conjunction with the **School of Management and Business at Aberystwyth University** and the **Regional Studies Association**.

The goal of the conference is to bring together international scholars working on current research relating to the following:

- Entrepreneurial networks
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- Entrepreneurial learning and social capital
- Learning through networks
- Learning styles in networks
- Entrepreneurial Regions
- Entrepreneurship and Regional Development
- Regional Stakeholder Collaboration
- Role of Intermediaries in Networks
- Regional Innovation Clusters
- Knowledge transfer through networking
- Innovation networks
- Clustering, Agglomeration, Networking and Regional Development
- Innovation and Creativity
- Innovation Regions
- International entrepreneurship and networks
- Social networking in small business
- Motivation for joining business networks
- Social entrepreneurship
- Innovation and creativity in networks
- Developing international business through networking
- Business growth as a result of networking
- Sustainability in networking
- Social capital and networks in entrepreneurship/small business
- Gender perspectives on networks in small firms

Thereby we will learn about different international research and create a setting whereby completed research and work in progress can be shared and discussed in-depth.

**Abstract submission deadline: 29 July 2011**

**Full Paper submission deadline: 2 September 2011**

**Regional Studies Association (RSA) Conference Awards**

- RSA Best Doctoral Student Paper
- RSA Best Early Career Paper
- RSA Best Established Career Paper Award

For more information about the event go to [www.slniwcconference.org](http://www.slniwcconference.org)

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