



Call for Papers: International Scientific Conference

From Research to Working Life: Students as Knowledge Brokers for Entrepreneurial Development - ReWo

November 11th – 13th, 2024 in Brežice, Slovenia

Organized by: Faculty of Tourism, University of Maribor, Slovenia

Join us at the *From Research to Working Life: Students as Knowledge Brokers for Entrepreneurial Development* (ReWo) conference, where academia and industry intersect to foster innovative educational practices and entrepreneurial initiatives. This event culminates a project enhancing educational and research structures within academic institutions, promoting collaboration with international placements. The goal is cross-collaboration between higher education and industry, enhancing university curricula to meet industry needs, empowering students for better job prospects, and driving innovation. The conference aims to bring together researchers, educators, students, and industry professionals to exchange insights and explore collaborative opportunities in shaping the future of workforce development.

Prospective authors from all disciplinary backgrounds are encouraged to contribute to and help shape the conference by submitting their abstracts. Among others, the conference wishes to address the following topics:

- Integrating Industry Insights into Higher Education Curricula
- Empowering Students as Agents of Change
- Innovative Approaches to Industry-Academia Collaboration
- Curriculum Co-Creation: Engaging Industry in Educational Design
- Student Entrepreneurship: From Idea to Implementation
- Addressing Skills Mismatches: Aligning Education with Industry Needs
- Leveraging Tourism Trends for Entrepreneurial Development
- Sustainable Tourism Practices: Opportunities for Innovation

The topics listed above are intended as suggestive guidelines. Other proposed topics are welcome.

Our invited esteemed keynote speakers are:

Truls Engström, Ph.D. – Associate Professor at the University of Stavanger – Norwegian School of Hotel Management

Cristina Leal M.Sc. – Vice president of the World Federation of Tourist Guide Associations

Mari Angeria M.Sc. – Senior Lecturer at Lapland University of Applied Sciences

Gregor Jagodič, Ph.D. – Assistant Professor at the University of Maribor – Faculty of Tourism

Important dates:

- The deadline for submission of abstracts (300-500 words): **September 15th, 2024**
 - Notification of acceptance: **September 30th, 2024**
 - Early bird registration deadline via registration form: **October 1st, 2024**
 - Full paper submissions scheduled for spring 2025 will be announced after the conference with detailed submission instructions and author guidelines.
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Registration fee:

	Early bird registration up to October 1 st 2024	Regular registration after October 1 st 2024
participant/presenter	150€	200€
co-author attending the conference	100€	150€
students*	50€	100€
accompanying person/guest**	50€	100€

* The offer is only valid for full-time students, PhD students, and unemployed students.

** The accompanying person/guest conference fee includes access to the conference sessions and social events. The "Accompanying/Guest Registration" is NOT for individuals who would otherwise need to pay for a full registration.

Submission guidelines:

Expressions of interest and abstracts of up to 500 words should be submitted through online form.

Submit it via [online form](#).

The abstract should clearly state the objective of the presentation, the (preliminary) findings and their significance to the call. The recommended structure of the abstract: *title, introduction, method, findings/discussion, conclusion, and keywords*. Author names, affiliations, and the e-mail address of the corresponding author should be included.

Each author is welcome to present up to two submissions. At least one of the authors must register for the conference if the submission is to be included in the final conference program.

Publication opportunities:

All accepted abstracts will be published in a book of abstracts. The invitation for full paper submissions will follow the event. Full papers are expected to be due in spring 2025. All submitted full papers will have the opportunity to be considered for publication. The final decision will be made based on a double-blind peer review by the Editors. Submitted papers must not be under consideration by any other journal or publication. Selected full-text papers will be published free of charge in one of the following journals:

Scandinavian Journal of Hospitality and Tourism - Scopus Q1/ SSCI Q1

Organizacija - Scopus Q2/Q3 / SSCI Emerging

International Journal of Management in Education – Scopus Q3

Tourism Critiques – special issue - Sport, Leisure, and Tourism Destinations – DOAJ

International Journal of Tour Guiding Research

Further information:

If you would like to learn more about the event, please contact the Organizing Committee at conference.ft@um.si.

More information on [University of Maribor – Faculty of Tourism conference activities click here](#).

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