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SIDREA INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP (SIW) MEDITARI ACCOUNTANCY RESEARCH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE AND DOCTORAL COLLOQUIUM 2015

2-3 JULY 2015

Current Issues in Social, Environmental and Gender Accounting

Papers on other topics related to the overall focus of accounting will be welcome.

at

University of Bologna, Italy School of Economics, Management and Statistics – Forlì Campus Piazzale della Vittoria, 15 – 47121 Forlì (FC), Italy

The conference provides direct pathways towards publication in the research journal Meditari Accountancy Research.

The University of Bologna - School of Economics, Management and Statistics – Forlì Campus and the Meditari Accountancy Research journal with the support of the Società Italiana dei Docenti di Ragioneria e di Economia Aziendale (SIDREA) are pleased to announce their joint event on the theme "Current Issues in Social, Environmental and Gender Accounting". The main objective of the SIW -Meditari Conference and Doctoral Colloquium is to advise, provide guidance, and debate on research projects carried out by accounting and business economics researchers working at all levels of academic positions. Participants of the SIW - Meditari Conference will have the opportunity to interact with foreign and Italian faculty members.

The University of Bologna is considered to be the oldest university in the Western world. Today, it is a leader in European higher education and famous for its beautiful Campus, which is integrated with the city. The University of Bologna has adopted a multi-campus structure, which creates a unique environment for education and research, creating a special university and community life. Further information is available at:

http://www.unibo.it/en/university

Meditari Accountancy Research takes its name from the Latin for constantly pondering, suggesting a journey towards a better understanding of accountancy related matters through research. The journal is a double blind refereed publication.

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Further information about the journal is available at: <u>http://www.emeraldgrouppublishing.com/products/journals/journals.htm?id=MEDAR</u>

SIW - Meditari Conference Objectives

The main objectives of the SIW - Meditari Conference are to advise, guide and debate accounting research, leading to the publication of quality research papers in *Meditari Accountancy Research*. It is expected that the SIW - Meditari Conference and Doctoral Colloquium will provide a platform for discussion for research proposals, working papers, methods and methodological issues.

Review Process and Publication Plan

The papers submitted will follow a double blind peer review process and those selected will be invited for presentation during the parallel sessions. The SIW -Meditari Conference and Doctoral Colloquium will feature several national and international academics, including Professor Jane Broadbent, Professor Charl de Villiers, Professor James Guthrie and Professor Carol Tilt.

We are delighted to announce that Emerald has kindly sponsored an award, being a certificate and offering 250 euro, for the best conference paper prize. The winner of the best conference paper prize will be announced during the conclusion section on the 3rd of July. The Emerald Italian representative, Wendy Knox, will award the winner on Emerald behalf

A selection of best papers presented during the SIW -Meditari Conference is expected to be published in a special issue of *Meditari Accountancy Research*. The theme of the special issue will be current issues in social, environmental and gender accounting, and will be edited by Professor Charl de Villiers, Professor. Federica Farneti and Professor Benedetta Siboni.

The other papers presented at the SIW - Meditari Conference will be subject to, and may progress towards, publication in the journal's normal refereeing process.

Doctoral Colloquium

The purpose is to bring researchers together to offer plenary sessions by leading researchers, dedicated workshops presented by subject area specialists, offering the opportunity to present their work, receive expert comment and advice from established faculty members, and provide an opportunity for group networking. The Doctoral Colloquium will be led by Professor David Alexander - University of Birmingham (UK), Professor Charl de Villiers - AUT University, Auckland (New Zealand), Professor Andrew Stark University of Manchester (UK), Professor Sumit Lodhia (University South of Australia, Australia), Professor Satoshi Sugahara Hiroshima Shudo University (Japan), Professor Carol Tilt (University of South Australia, Australia).and Professor Helen Tregidga - AUT University, Auckland (New Zealand). The Meditari Accountancy Research Doctoral Colloquium will take place on **Thursday 2** July 2015. Full paper or extended abstract will be welcome for the Doctoral Colloquium. Further paper submission guidelines are provided below.

Paper submission guidelines

The full paper for the conference and the extended abstract for the doctoral colloquium must be submitted **Monday 25 May 2015**

Please consider the following when submitting your paper.

An International Scientific Committee will review all submissions, and accepted authors will be asked to submit a final revised full paper.

- Papers should preferably not exceed 9,000 words, including an extended abstract, figures, references and appendices.
- The extended abstract, of about 1,000 words in length, must contain:
 - purpose (mandatory);
 - design/methodology/approach (mandatory);
 - findings (mandatory);
 - research limitations/implications (if applicable);
 - practical implications (if applicable);
 - social implications (if applicable);
 - originality/value (mandatory);
 - keywords (mandatory and no more than ten).
- Papers must not have previously been published.
- The final revisited paper for the conference must be submitted by **Thursday 25 June 2015**.

Key Plenary Speakers

Professor Jane Broadbent, Royal Holloway, University of London, UK - A gender agenda and Professor Carol Tilt, University of South Australia, Australia - Gender Diversity on Corporate Boards and CSR.

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Registration

The SIW - Meditari Conference and the Doctoral Colloquium attendance is **free of charge**. However, due to limited capacity, registration is required, via e-mail to <u>daniela.sangiorgi5@unibo.it</u> no later than **25** June 2015.

Details of the program will be available on the web site of the School of Economics, Business and Statistics – Forlì Campus, and signposted on the *Meditari Accountancy Research* website.

Location

Forlì - University of Bologna, Italy, School of Economics, Management and Statistics, Forlì Campus. Piazzale della Vittoria, 15 – 47121 Forlì (FC), Italy.

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Travel Information

By Airplane - The airport closest to the School is Bologna's Marconi Airport, about 70 km from Forlì. There is a shuttle from the airport to Bologna train station every 30 minutes. Marco Polo Airport in Venezia is about 200 km away from Forlì (accessible by train), and Milano Linate and Milano Malpensa airports are about 300/350 km from Forlì.

By Train - The School is located about 800 metres from Forlì train station, which is served by an efficient intercity service from major Italian cities. **By Car** - Forlì is one of the motorway exits of the highway A14. It is about 65 Km from Bologna, 130 km from Ancona and 82 km from the connection with the A1 Milano - Napoli. For those coming from the SS E45, the motorway exit for Forlì is 8 km away.

Suggested Accommodation

Close to the Conference Venue Hotel Michelangelo**** http://www.hotelmichelangelo.fc.it Hotel Gardenia** http://www.gardeniahotel.eu **Close to the City Centre** Hotel Executive**** http://www.executiveforli.it/default.aspx Hotel Masini**** http://www.masinihotel.it Hotel Marta** http://www.hotelmartaforli.it Foresteria Universitaria Docenti (B&B only for Academics) http://www.ceub.it/default.asp?id=403#.U8TjT7SKCM8 **Close to the Highway** BEST WESTERN Hotel Globus City**** http://www.hotelglobuscity.com Hotel San Giorgio**** http://www.hotelsangiorgioforli.it

Please direct any questions to meditari2015@unibo.it

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E' stata richiesta all'**Ordine dei Dottori Commercialisti di** Forlì l'attribuzione dei crediti validi ai fini della Formazione Professionale Continua dei Dottori Commercialisti e degli Esperti Contabili

Key Dates

25 May 2015	Deadline for full paper submission - SIW - Meditari Conference – emailed to <u>federica.farneti@unibo.it</u> and <u>meditari2015@unibo.it</u> Deadline for Full paper or extended abstract submission - Doctoral Colloquium – emailed to <u>benedetta.siboni@unibo.it</u> and <u>meditari2015@unibo.it</u>
15 June 2015	Acceptance notification to authors (SIW - Meditari Conference and Doctoral Colloquium)
25 June 2015	Registration deadline for SIW - Meditari Conference and Doctoral Colloquium – emailed to <u>daniela.sangiorgi5@unibo.it</u> and <u>meditari2015@unibo.it</u>
25 June 2015	Deadline for revised full paper submission SIW - Meditari Conference – emailed to federica.farneti@unibo.it and meditari2015@unibo.it



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