



ISIRC 2018

»Bridging Social and Business Innovation«

🕒 KEY DATES

30 March 2018

Paper abstracts &
panel proposals

25 May 2018

Decision of submission

10 August 2018

Full papers

✍️ GUIDELINES

All contributions must be submitted via the conference website.

A maximum of two proposals may be submitted per presenter.

Paper abstracts shall not exceed 400 words including references. They should articulate the research question(s) addressed, the conceptual/theoretical perspectives informing the work, and where appropriate the methodology utilised as well as the papers contribution to the conference themes.

Panel proposals shall not exceed 1000 words. They should include the panel purpose and its relationship to the nominated conference stream; details of (minimum) three and (maximum) four papers and paper presenters to be included in the panel; and the expected contribution of the panel.

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Call for Papers and Panels

10th International Social Innovation Research Conference

Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg

September 3-5, 2018

Social innovation has clearly gained momentum over the past decade, spurred notably by the growing interest in theory, practice and policy. Manifested in new ways of doing things, distinct social relations, changes in perceptions or novel solutions, social innovations are often presented as an alternative to business (profit-oriented) innovation to cope with societal challenges at hand. While major progress has been made in understanding social innovation trajectories, drivers and barriers, business models and institutions, significant work is still required to position the distinct (disciplinary) analytical, conceptual and theoretical contributions in the 'classical' innovation research. On the other hand, social innovation has largely been overlooked by the majority of innovation literature, with the mainstream of research traditionally focusing on technological innovation, or more generally, business innovation.

The tenth annual International Social Innovation Research Conference (ISIRC 2018) strives to bridge the as yet largely unrelated research fields of social and business innovation and invites theoretical, methodological and empirical contributions drawing on different disciplines. Planned streams are:

- **Expanding Theory** (Stream chair: N.N.)
- **Future Prospects for Social Innovation Measurement** (Stream co-chairs: Georg Mildenberger and Judith Terstriep)
- **Critical Perspectives on Social Innovation** (Stream co-chairs: Simone Teasdale, and Suzanne Grant)
- **Hybridity, Governance & Organising Social Innovation** (Stream chair: Bob Doherty and Roger Spear)
- **Financing Social Innovation & Social Investment** (Stream chair: Alex Nichols)
- **New Ways of Planning & Policy Production** (N.N.)
- **From Design Thinking to Design Doing in Social Innovation** (Stream chair: Abby Lopes)
- **Social Innovation & Sustainability** (Stream chair: Rafael Ziegler)
- **Social Innovation & Food Security** (Stream co-chairs: Alex Murdock and Anne de Bruin)
- **Social Innovation & Forced Migration** (N.N.)
- **Health & Wellbeing** (Stream chair: Michael Roy)
- **Spatial Aspects of Social Innovation** (N.N.)
- Suggestions for further streams are welcome