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Mini Track on Entrepreneurship Education and Learning

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This mini track will focus on entrepreneurship education, a field of significant growth in entrepreneurship research. The track seeks to draw upon global perspectives for entrepreneurship education, in particular considering the interdisciplinary nature this education provides. After an initial period of fostering the entrepreneurial mindset, entrepreneurship education is now able to widen this focus to include research on innovative teaching methodologies, the implementation of such strategies as well as the outcomes and coherent assessment techniques associated with such strategies. Entrepreneurship education can be provided in a wide range of scenarios from formal academic settings to informal events; typical classrooms to incubators, technology parks and summer academies and more. At the same time, a large variety in content and methods is observed without a unanimous teaching model. Moreover, recent trends show the importance of linking entrepreneurship education with sustainable development and social challenges. This mini-track aims to bring academics and practitioners from different entrepreneurship education settings in a common discourse regarding the pedagogy of entrepreneurial education and the observed learning outcomes.

Suggested topics include but are not limited to:

- Innovative teaching methods in entrepreneurship education
- Entrepreneurial pedagogies in connection with learning
- Informal versus formal entrepreneurial teaching
- Entrepreneurship education, sustainable development and social challenges
- Entrepreneurial learning environments
- Mapping the impact of entrepreneurship education
- Perspectives of educational policies for entrepreneurship



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Submission details

In the first instance a 300 word abstract is required, to be received by 1 March 2023. Submissions must be made using the online form at:

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