

Call for Papers

Interdisciplinary Conference

Ubiquitous Working: Challenges and Prospects of the Interconnected Working Environment

Mannheim, Germany, May 20/21, 2016

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New technologies such as mobile devices and mobile internet increasingly enable work tasks to be completed outside of the classic workplace, and beyond regular working hours. The ubiquity of the modern workplace raises a number of interesting research questions regarding both the causes and consequences of a trend towards new working arrangements. Researchers from a broad number of disciplines are aiming in particular to achieve better understanding of how ubiquitous working affects, among other things, the labour market, careers, work-life balance, life satisfaction, health, and firm organisation, as well as firm performance. The focus of this conference is therefore interdisciplinary and will bring together researchers from the fields of economics, work psychology, media psychology, occupational medicine, and sociology, who are carrying out research on the following topics:

- Incidence, types and drivers of flexible work arrangements (flexi-time and flexi-space)
- Social and psychological effects of ubiquitous work and mobile work devices
- Labour market effects of flexible work arrangements
- Ubiquitous work and work-family conflicts
- Ubiquitous work and human resource management (skill requirements, monitoring ...)
- Productivity effects of flexible work arrangements (creativity, autonomy ...)
- Health-related effects of ubiquitous work
- Psychological detachment and recovery from ubiquitous work

A keynote lecture will be given by Ellen Kossek (Purdue University, Krannert School of Management, USA).

Submissions for presentations:

The deadline for submission of extended abstracts (2-3 pages) to ubiwork@zew.de is March 20, 2016. Acceptance decisions will be communicated by April 8, 2016.

Scientific Committee

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Costs:

Travel and accommodation costs will be covered for participants presenting a paper. Participants who present a paper will, however, be required to pay a fee of EUR 100 covering workshop materials and catering. Participants who do not present a paper will be required to pay a fee of EUR 150. Participants who are not presenting a paper are requested to register by e-mail to ubiwork@zew.de no later than April 30, 2016.

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