

## Announcement

### **Family Business and Mittelstand Research Award 2016 (Founder: EQUA-Stiftung and FGF)**

The EQUA-Stiftung (<http://equa-stiftung.de/>) and the FGF supports researchers by donating the prize money of 500 Euro for the "Family Business and Mittelstand Research Award 2016", which will be awarded during the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Interdisciplinary Conference on Entrepreneurship and Innovation, October 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at the HHL Leipzig Graduate School of Management (Germany).

Participants are all authors who submit a **full paper** proposal (30 pages + literature notes) until **May 24<sup>th</sup> 2016** for the G-Forum 2016 in Leipzig.

The award-winners will be determined in a two-step selection process. In the first stage, the results of the double-blind review process will be considered.

Selection criteria for scientific contribution proposals are:

- Use / relevance for family business-research and -practice
- Conceptual strength
- Methodology
- Originality / novelty
- Intelligibility

In the second stage, the authors (individual authors or team) of the three best works of this review process are nominated for the "Family Business and Mittelstand Research Award 2016". Out of these nominated works the award-winner will be selected by a five-member jury (scientists from the FGF-working group "Family Business" and representatives of the founder).

#### **Submission guidelines:**

The submission of the scientific contribution should ideally be divided as follows:

- Problem (research gap / objectives)
- Theoretical foundation
- Methodology / empirical research context
- Results
- Implications for family business research and practice

Your full paper should be submitted as a single PDF-document until **May 24<sup>th</sup> 2016** (extended) by email to the following address: [submission-gforum2016@fgf-ev.de](mailto:submission-gforum2016@fgf-ev.de).

**Please send your full paper submission without the author's name (blind manuscript) and a manuscript with the author's name on the title page.** Entries can be submitted in German or English. We will inform the authors in mid-July 2015 about the acceptance of their proposals.

#### **Presentation of the nominated works and appreciation of the winners**

Nominated authors (individual authors or team) are invited for presentation at the G-Forum 2016 (presentation by at least one author is required). The announcement of the winner and the prize presentation take place at the dinner reception of the G-Forum 2016 in Leipzig on October 6<sup>th</sup> 2016.

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We are looking forward to welcoming you in Leipzig!