



Call for Papers

Workshop on High-Growth Firms

Stockholm, 19-20 May, 2011

Empirical studies show that high-growth firms are crucial for net job-creation and the diffusion of innovation. Accordingly, interest in the factors explaining the prevalence of high-growth firms has increased, both from academic researchers and policy makers, especially in Europe and the US. We think that right now there is a need to bring together researchers to present and discuss new results on high-growth firms.

We invite high-quality papers that explicitly address issues related to high-growth firms. Papers dealing with the following areas are particularly welcome:

- Characteristics and importance of high-growth firms
- The role of public policy in promoting high-growth firms
- Methodological contributions related to studies of high-growth firms, including critical discussions of the definitions of high growth firms used in the empirical literature
- Cross-country evidence on the presence of high-growth firms
- Industry variation of high-growth firms
- High-growth firms, regional development and economic growth
- Competition and high-growth firms
- The persistence of high-growth firms
- High-growth firms and the role of innovation

Papers from the workshop will have an opportunity to get published in a special issue of the journal *Industrial and Corporate Change* after a review process. The papers submitted are expected to be work in progress, not submitted for publication elsewhere. The number of papers that will be accepted for presentation is limited to 12. The workshop and lodging will be free of charge. To apply for the conference, submit a paper or an extended abstract to sven-olov.daunfeldt@ratio.se

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Submission deadline: January 31, 2011.