



**CREATIVE SPARK**  
*Entrepreneurship Ecosystems:  
Economic and Social perspective*  
*29 April 2021*

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**Workshop Agenda**  
**Start time: 9.00 AM – Central European Time**

- 8.45 -9:00 AM Breakfast and registration  
9.00-09.20 AM Welcome address:  
Prof. Andrew Godley, University of Reading, UK  
Dr Jonathan Peillex, ICD Business School, France  
Prof. Nino Enukidze, Business and Technology University, Georgia
- 9.20-09.30 AM Maksim Belitski, University of Reading - *“What is Creative Spark Entrepreneurship Ecosystems?”*
- 9:30-10:00 AM *Keynote Michael Fritsch, Michael Wyrwich and Korneliusz Pylak***  
***“Persistence of entrepreneurship”***
- 10.00-10.25 AM Maria Kristalova, Friedrich Schiller University Jena, Germany  
*“Path-dependence and historical shocks: Surprising evidence from (self-employment in) Germany”.*
- 10.25 -10.50 AM Stepan Zemtsov, Centre of Economic Geography and regions RANHIGS, Moscow, Russia  
*“Persistence of Entrepreneurship in Russia 1940-2019”*
- 10.50-11.05 AM **Coffee Break** and switching to Universities of Cardiff and Edinburgh.

*Entrepreneurial Ecosystems: Concepts and Measurement session led by Dr Daniel Prokop, Cardiff University, Dr Fumi Kitagawa, University of Edinburgh and Prof Robert Huggins, Cardiff University*

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- 11:05-11:30 AM Martin Bliemel, University of Technology Sydney: *“Qualitatively evaluating and mapping ecosystems: Should I choose an ecology, complex systems or sociological approach?”*
- 11:30-11:55 AM Martin Obschonka, Queensland University of Technology: *“The Psychology of Entrepreneurial Ecosystems”*
- 12:00-12:25 PM Allan O'Connor, University of South Australia: *“Where is the entrepreneurial in an ecosystem? A question of balance in socioeconomic communities”*
- 12:25 -12:50PM Agata Kapturkiewicz, Waseda University: *“Varieties of Entrepreneurial Ecosystems: A comparative study of Tokyo and Bangalore”*
- 12.55-1.25 PM Richard Harrison, University of Edinburgh: *“Unpacking the entrepreneurial ecosystem metaphor.*

- 1.20-1.45 PM Hiroyuki Okamuro, Hitotsubashi University, Japan:  
“Supporting the Supporters: Empirical Evaluation of a Multilevel Policy Collaboration for Start-up Promotion“
- 1.45-2.15 PM Lunch Break
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- 2:15-2:40 PM ***Keynote: Professor David Audretsch, Indiana University, USA & University of Klagenfurt, Austria***
- 2:40-3:05 PM Pınar BÜYÜKBALCI, Yıldız Technical University Istanbul, Turkey  
*Complementarity Perspective of Entrepreneurial Ecosystem in Istanbul*
- 3.05 – 3.30 PM Annie Vashakmadze, Business Technology University, Tbilisi Georgia  
*Complementarity Perspective of Georgia’s Entrepreneurial Ecosystem.*
- 3:30- 3:40 PM Coffee break
- 3:40- 4:05 PM Ana Grigore, Bucharest University, Romania  
*“Entrepreneurial ecosystems in Romania – the destructive role of Political entrepreneurship”*
- 4.05-4.30 PM Natalya Cherkas, Kyiv National Economic University, Ukraine  
*“Entrepreneurial ecosystems as conflict resolution: Evidence from Ukraine”.*
- 4.30-4.55 PM Erich J. Schwarz, Georg Eichler and Maksim Belitski, Universität Klagenfurt, Austria.  
*“Pro-social orientation and entrepreneurial ecosystems in Europe and Beyond”*
- 4.55-5.20 PM Maksim Belitski, University of Reading, UK  
*Institutions and entrepreneurial ecosystems in Eastern Europe and Central Asia*
- 5.20-5.30 Thank you and the next steps by Maksim Belitski

**Presenters and Attendees list:**