**Department of Economics, UiB** 

Ph.D. course: Economics of Entrepreneurship

Entrepreneurship is an important and understudied topic in Economics. This mini-course exposes students to key research issues and methodologies in Entrepreneurship, drawing on material from economics, psychology, and finance. The course covers both theoretical and empirical material. The course discusses empirical identification strategies using register data. A central purpose will be to provide the students with tools to do independent work in the area.

The lectures cover five different topics. Entrepreneurial entry and credit constraints, Entrepreneurial motivation, Entrepreneurial personal traits, Start-up performance, and an open session.

The open session covers revisions and further topics. Further topics come from a choice from the following list: entrepreneurship and genetics, entrepreneurship and the welfare state, entrepreneurship and macroeconomics, entrepreneurship and public policy, behavioral issues, hitech entrepreneurship, venture capital and seed financing. The discussion of further topics will be based on student presentations.

Evaluation: Home exam.

Credits: 5

Time: March 27th to 30th

Registration deadline: March 8th

Professor Hans K. Hvide will be responsible for the course, and give the lectures (10 lectures a two hours).

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Se also: <a href="http://www.uib.no/emne/ECON903">http://www.uib.no/emne/ECON903</a>

PS:

We have access to limited funds to cover travel and housing expenses for external students (based outside Bergen). The course has access to about NOK 50.000 for this purpose.

As we do not know how many students will attend the courses we cannot commit to any particular amount per student. We firmly expect, however, that all external students will get travel expenses covered. We hope to cover a fair fraction of housing expenses.

You should apply for reimbursement of expenses \*after\* having completed the courses. You should send your application to Anne-Kathrin Thomassen. Please contact Anne-Kathrin Thomassen if you have any questions or queries regarding reimbursements.