

# ERNOP

## Call for Papers

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### Philanthropy and Civil Society: European and Transnational Perspectives

International Conference, 7 June 2011

WU Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria

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**The European Research Network on Philanthropy (ERNOP)** calls for papers to be presented at its first international conference. The conference is dedicated to a broad and interdisciplinary overview of the study of philanthropy in Europe.

With the development of philanthropic research in Europe, we seek to encourage debate, and help understanding the multiple ways in which philanthropic action - perceived in its broadest sense, including volunteering, charitable giving, the work of foundations and corporate philanthropy - engages with European civil societies and policies.

Reflecting the international and interdisciplinary nature of ERNOP we encourage a pluralist approach and we aim to provide a platform for mutual exchange between academics and practitioners from the philanthropic sector.

Papers addressing national contexts as well as cross-national comparisons are welcome. They can be empirically based – using quantitative, qualitative, or mixed method approaches – or theoretical.

Topics at the conference include (but are not limited to):

- Philanthropy in Europe: national and transnational trends
- How will cutbacks in government funding affect nonprofit organizations?
- Evolution and trends in volunteering and socially productive activities in developed and developing European countries
- Evaluation strategies, impact studies, performance metrics and benchmarking of NGOs
- Strategy, programmes and innovation in the Third Sector
- The impact of the economic downturn on giving and volunteering
- Altruism and generosity
- How public policies encourage philanthropy: fiscal laws and supportive/oppositional contexts
- Advocacy and NGOs lobbying for social issues

- The influence of national culture and religion on fundraising and giving practices
- Fundraising and giving methodologies
- Theories and methods on philanthropy research
- Foundations: new funding and investment strategies
- Foundations governance models: evaluation of strategies, performance metrics and benchmarking, innovative partnership models
- Foundations and NGOs: Interactive Patterns
- The interactions of corporate philanthropy with the Third Sector
- Giving and volunteering in communities and diasporas
- Teaching and education of the Third Sector
- Social enterprise and social entrepreneurship
- Disaster giving
- Corporate social responsibility

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**Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2011**

**Venue:** WU Vienna University of Economics and Business  
 UZA 1 (main building) Augasse 2-6, 1090 Vienna Austria  
 Festival Hall (Festsaal), Upper level 1, section A-B

**Deadline for paper proposals:** March 1 2011; full papers May 1, 2011

**Proposals:** proposals should be presented in no more than 200 words

**Conference fee:** ERNOP members €80; non members €150 (including ERNOP membership for 2011); Conference fee for registration for all participants after May 1st, 2011: € 180

**Send papers and proposals to** [conference@ernop.eu](mailto:conference@ernop.eu)

**Registration** <http://www.ernop.eu/ERNOP-Conference-2011.html>.

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❖ **On Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> of June 2011 the 9<sup>th</sup> "NPO-Tag" (NPO-Day) will take place at the University of Economics and Business in Vienna.** The conference is organized by the Institute for Interdisciplinary Research on Nonprofit Organizations (NPO-Institute) and will deal among other things with the subjects of Performance Measurement, Career and Success in nonprofit organizations. More information will be available soon on [www.npo.or.at](http://www.npo.or.at).

❖ **The European Research Network on Philanthropy (ERNOP)**  
 The European Research Network on Philanthropy (ERNOP) has been founded in January 2008 by collaborating philanthropy researchers in Europe, in order to advance, coordinate and promote excellence in philanthropic research in Europe. Currently more than 60 researchers in 18 European countries have joined ERNOP. ERNOP is an institutional member of the ISTR and collaborates with other European Philanthropy networks, such as EMES, ICFO and the EVPA. More information on [www.ernop.eu](http://www.ernop.eu).

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