To foster forward-looking and cross-disciplinary academic research CBL / Business & Liability Research Network is launching the Call for Research Proposals.

Researchers are asked to submit an outline of their research proposal, including information on research question(s), methodology to be used, data to be analysed (in case of empirical work), comparisons to be made (in case of comparative work), as well as prospective contribution to the academic debate and potential practical implications. We strongly encourage inter/multi-disciplinary and comparative research.

Proposals submitted should not exceed 500 words. The deadline for submissions is 1 December 2017. Proposals submitted on time will be reviewed by a panel of experts. Approved submissions will be announced via e-mail by 15 December 2017. Selected participants will be invited to present and discuss their research in the Academic Workshop forming a part of the CBL / Business & Liability Research Network Opening Conference.

Technology and Future of Decision-Making and Collaboration in Businesses

- Blockchain-assisted governance
- Novel ownership structures and blockchain technology: DAOs, platform cooperatives, etc.
- Valuing the inputs of stakeholder group through algorithm
- Legal challenges and risks of governing decentralized entities – smart contracts and beyond
- Possible regulatory responses to threats and advantages of blockchain-based ‘entities’

Long-Term Value Creation

- Role of governments in supporting long-term value creation by corporations
- Shareholder activism as a driving force behind long-term value creation
- Corporate governance as a tool for business resilience
- Integrated reporting: a new perspective on long term value creation?
- Capital markets and sustainability: friends or foes?

Directors’ duties and liabilities

- Behavioural (dis)incentives for directors of distressed companies
- Directors’ duties and liabilities in pre-insolvency (restructuring) proceedings
- Bankruptcy investigations: promises and limits (biases) in addressing past business failures
- Directors’ liability in cross-border insolvencies and restructurings
- Implications of (legal) stigma on entrepreneurial spirit

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