

Call for Proposals to peer reviewed book on Grounded innovation

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High quality chapters are sought for a new peer reviewed book at high level on Inclusive, Grounded Innovation in the sphere of biological resources and related industries and activities. A post-submission grant of €600 will be offered to authors who need support and who have little or no access to research funding. There will be a two-stage process of selection. The first stage will draw up a short list of up to 12 chapters after the selection panel has reviewed outline chapter proposals of no more than three pages. Those selected for the short list will then be invited to submit full chapters before the deadline for submission.

The background is given in the attached project outline. We require all chapters to deal with real cases of attempts at improving the lives of underprivileged groups by way of innovation. We are especially interested in studies of interactions between marketable innovations and the social institutions (legal or other) that condition innovations' impact on people's lives. We welcome contributions on 'bottom up', or 'grounded' innovation which are 'inclusive' of a wide range of social groups, which deal with 'green' or renewable or recycled natural resources, and which pursue humane and/or environmental goals. The innovations in question should mainly refer to innovations in group and community-based activities, associations, and networks; to public institutions; to 'grounded innovation' partnerships involving citizens, enterprises, researchers and local or central governments; to 'platforms' and similar efforts. However they can also include technological innovation. We welcome contributions that analyse obstacles to inclusiveness such as, for example, institutional or technical path dependencies, or power relations. The chapters should be original material, based on evidence, and fully referenced so that readers can follow up in greater detail if they so wish. However, good syntheses of previous research may be considered in exceptional cases. As the book will be in English, all chapters, outline proposals, and other documentation should also be in English. The language should be plain English, and avoid technical terms, uncommon abbreviations and jargon.

In addition to the chapter proposal of up to three A4 pages, those entering the competition should provide a short CV, confirm their ability to write in clear English, and provide emails, Skype-names, telephone/ mobile numbers, an address, and two referees who can testify to their work.

A review panel will be set up to decide on the author grant eligibility. Members of the panel will be decided at a later stage and announced on the website pages.

The timetable is as follows:

1. Outline proposals to be submitted by March 1st 2015
2. Decisions on short list by April 1st 2015
3. Short listed authors may apply for submission grant 'in principle' by May 1st 2015
4. Draft Chapters to be submitted by December 1st 2015
5. Final Chapters to be submitted by February 1st 2016
6. Final decision on book contents by April 1st 2016
7. Submission of final manuscript to publisher by October 30th 2016

Outline Proposals for Stage 1 should be submitted by email attachment to:

- John.bryden@nilf.no on or before the above deadline
- LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED