

Tourism and Leisure PhD Program

Doctoral Days



Rovira i Virgili University, Catalonia

Vila-seca Campus, Faculty of Tourism and Geography

18-20th December 2017



- An annual 3-day event directed to the URV PhD students in Tourism and Leisure
 - A number of the most inspiring international scholars in the field
 - Focus on innovation in tourism research
 - Discussion of methodological issues and design research strategies

The chance to discuss with some of the most cutting edge researchers the progress of your doctoral thesis and get some feedback from them

Open to PhD students and academics from other universities and research centers

This workshop aims at presenting breakthrough research topics and methods to researchers who are currently writing their PhD thesis in Tourism. It so does though the active involvement of three distinguished international researchers. All of them have an extensive experience in a large amount of international and national projects and a proven capacity to involve doctoral candidates in such top research.

PhD candidates will have the opportunity, during the three open sessions, to learn about their most recent research efforts: problems challenged, methods deployed, and outputs generated; and, during closed-group afternoon sessions they will have the chance to share with them their current or future research projects and the problems faced, discussing solutions, getting practical suggestions, and possibly also querying about future collaborations and tutorships.

Prof. Salvador Anton Clavé, PhD Program Director
Prof. Antonio Paolo Russo, 2017 Doctoral Days Chair

Program

Monday 18th December 2017

- 09.00 **Welcome and institutional opening**
- 09.30 **Complexity and cognitive mapping in tourism policies**

Dr. Ioanna Farsari (School of Technology and Business Studies, Dalarna University, Sweden) *Chair: Dr. Antonio Russo*
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 11.00 **From Interdisciplinarity to postdisciplinarity: an evolutionary (?) perspective on the researcher's multiple identities**

Dr. Ioanna Farsari (School of Technology and Business Studies, Dalarna University, Sweden) *Chair: Dr. Antonio Russo*
- 14:00 Lunch time
- 15:30 **Closed-group supervision meetings with Prof. Farsari**

Thursday 19th December 2017

- 09.00 **Developing a more sustainable urban tourism: a network-based spatial planning method**

Dr. Bálint Kádár (Budapest University of Technology and Economics) *Chair: Dr. Salvador Anton*
- 10.00 Coffee break
- 10.30 **Analytics of user-generated data for the creation of methods to measure and models to develop urban tourism**

Dr. Bálint Kádár (Budapest University of Technology and Economics) *Chair: Dr. Salvador Anton*
- 13:30 Lunch time
- 15.00 **Closed-group supervision meetings with Dr. Kádár**

Wednesday 20th December 2017

- 10.00 **Tourism and Leisure Phd Program Tips and Infos** Dr. Antonio P.Russo
- 11.00 **Networking café:** Testimonials, experiences, practicalities and guidance in the completion of a PhD career. With Gilda Hernández (Esade), José Mansilla (Ostelea) and Elsa Soro (Ostelea)
- 13:30 Lunch time
- 15.00 **Training seminar:** “Get the most of your Ph.D. to become an independent researcher: tricks of the trade”, *Chair: Dr. Ercília García*
- The aim of this course is to offer PhD students insight and tools to manage their project, their research education, their work/life balance and collaborate with their supervisor(s).
- 19.00 **Closure**

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Assistance to the workshop

This workshop is offered to the PhD candidates in the Tourism and Leisure PhD Program of the University Rovira i Virgili, to other young researchers from the associated research groups, and to a limited number of external participants.

Attendance is **free for URV researchers and staff**, although it is strongly advised to register. PhD candidates will have the opportunity to present their thesis projects and preliminary results to the invited lecturers in closed-groups sessions. PhD candidates will be assigned to such close group sessions according to the topic and disciplinary interest. They will have 10 minutes to briefly present their research topics, followed by a short session of questions and answers with the invited lecturers about methodological issues and other practical matters related to their research work. Arrangements will be done for remote supervision sessions by Skype upon demand for those PhD candidates who are enjoying a research stay abroad.

Attendance for **external researchers from other Catalan, Spanish and international universities** will be charged 30 € for a one-day attendance and 60 € for the full 3-day duration of the workshop. This will also include participation to the closed-group supervision session upon availability. Interested parties should contact the Workshop Secretariat (Cristina Fornos @: cristina.fornos@urv.cat) to enquire about the fee payment and the inclusion in the supervision sessions, also possibly in Skype mode.

All plenary sessions will be video-recorded, and the presentations made available after the meeting on the URV PhD program in tourism and leisure website: [Training Activities](#).

The workshop language will be English.

Access

The meeting will be held in the Faculty of Tourism and Geography of University Rovira i Virgili. See directions here: www.ftg.urv.cat

Parking is available at several locations around the Faculty.

Vila-seca can be reached with RENFE 'Media Distancia' Trains.

Check timetables here: www.renfe.com/CA/viajeros/

Registration

Please send a mail to the Workshop Secretariat (cristina.fornos@urv.cat)