

## **AIB/Sheth Foundation Doctoral Student Consortium**

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Application Deadline: March 31, 2021

The Academy of International Business is organizing a Doctoral Consortium, which will be held **virtually** on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021, US Eastern Time.

The Consortium will provide a unique opportunity for doctoral students to further develop their research ideas, to learn about the challenges of conducting international business research and building a successful academic career in this field, and to broaden their professional networks. The format of the Consortium will facilitate a constructive and supportive discussion among the doctoral students and the participating faculty on topics of broad interest such as new trends in conducting high-impact international business research, managing the dissertation stage and the job search process, and successful entry into the academic career. In addition, students will receive concrete feedback on their individual current research projects as well as ideas and guidance for their future research agenda.

The most suitable candidates for the Consortium are Ph.D. students in international business who have completed their course work, are in the dissertation stage of their programs, and have a relatively clear idea about their dissertation research. While all such candidates will be considered, preference will be given to those who have defended their dissertation proposals. Selection criteria will also include research potential of the dissertation topic and contribution to the disciplinary and geographical diversity of representation. In order to make the consortium an effective exchange forum, we will be restricting the number of participants to 40 and will emphasize quality and diversity in the selection.

The faculty panel of the 2021 Doctoral Consortium will include a number of accomplished international business scholars worldwide who have an extensive publication record, have served as editors or are members of the editorial boards of leading academic journals, have won numerous research awards, and have substantial experience supervising doctoral students. Confirmed panelists include:

**Agnieszka Chidlow**, University of Birmingham, UK  
**Ilya Cuypers**, Singapore Management University, Singapore  
**Olga Hawn**, UNC, the USA  
**Edith Ipsmiller**, WU Vienna, Austria  
**Marina Latukha**, GSOM St Petersburg, Russia  
**Dorota Piaskowska**, University College Dublin, Ireland  
**Yinuo Tang**, Peking University HSBC Business School, China  
**Esther Tippmann**, NUI Galway, Ireland  
**Anna Veselova**, HSE Moscow, Russia  
**Stephanie Wang**, Indiana University, USA  
**William Wan**, CUHK, Hong Kong, China

**Tentative Schedule (subject to change):**

There are two major sessions held *in different time zones*. Faculty members and students will be assigned to one of the sessions based on their time zones.

All doctoral consortium participants will also have the opportunity to join junior faculty consortium participants for two joint panel discussions on “Ethics in Publication” and “Meeting the Editors”.

12:00 pm (noon) -3:00 pm (European central time) 6:00 pm-9:00 pm (Beijing time)	<b>Doctoral Consortium (Session 1)</b> [African/European and Asian time zone participants]
9:00 am-11:00 am (New York City time) 3:00 pm-5:00 pm (European central time) 9:00 pm-11:00 pm (Beijing time)	<b>Ethics in Publication</b> <b>Meeting the Editors</b>
11:00 am-2:00 pm (NYC time) 5:00 pm-8:00 pm (European central time)	<b>Doctoral Consortium (Session 2)</b> [American and African/European time zone participants]

For the three-hour session, there will be three parts.

## **Program**

### **Introduction (20 mins)**

Part 1 (45 mins): **How to build a high impact research program in IB**

Part 2 (60 mins): **Small group discussions**

Break (10 mins)

Part 3 (45 mins): **Managing an academic career in IB**

### **Submission Requirements:**

All materials have to be submitted by email to [aibdc2021@outlook.com](mailto:aibdc2021@outlook.com) with the title of “*AIB doctoral consortium application*” by Mar 31, 2021.

Please note that late submissions or submissions that do not follow the requirements will not be considered.

Your application must include the following two documents:

1. Letter of nomination from faculty advisor: The letter should discuss the progress of the student in the program and his/her academic performance and potential. It should state clearly whether the applicant has defended (or is expected to defend by June 15, 2021) his/her dissertation proposal. If the student is enrolled in a doctoral program that does not have a formal proposal defense, the dissertation advisor's statement of approval of the proposal will suffice.
2. Student resume and abstract of dissertation proposal (5-page maximum): The first page is resume, should highlight your academic and work experience, along with publications including manuscripts under review. Pages 2-5 should include title, author information, abstract, keywords, and dissertation research summary. Diagrams, tables, and references should be provided at the end of the document but do not count towards the 5-page limit. The extended abstract should succinctly cover the research question, theoretical background, proposed research design, and intended contribution.

### **AIB Award for the Best Doctoral Dissertation Proposal**

All participants in the Doctoral Student Consortium are eligible for the AIB Award for the Best Doctoral Dissertation Proposal. There is no separate application process for this award. All completed applications to the Consortium are automatically entered into the competition. The winner will receive a plaque and a monetary award. The selection is done by the faculty panel of the Doctoral Student Consortium and is based on the submitted dissertation proposal abstracts. The criteria used in evaluating the abstracts include: (a) originality and theoretical foundations of the work; (b) rigor and soundness of the proposed methodology; and (c) potential contribution and impact of the proposed work to advancing the field.

See you virtually!

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