

Research Excellence and International Collaboration on Corporate Response to Climate Change

9-12 March 2015, São Paulo, Brazil

This workshop will explore recent advances and developments in climate change business research such as response framework for SMEs, innovation for sustainability, green manufacturing and supply chain. The event is an opportunity for researchers from both countries to exchange experiences, share knowledge and also to build and develop a growing network regarding current and future researches. For this to happen, three major objectives are:

- 1) Knowledge sharing and discussion of main research areas, methodological approaches, and knowledge gaps;
- 2) Funding opportunities in UK and in Brazil;
- 3) Networking and development of international career plans to enhance research impact;

The subjects to be covered during the discussions would include: Green manufacturing, Green supply chain management, Resource optimisation, Sustainability performance measurement, Role of OEMs in making SMEs more environmental friendly, Lean thinking, Waste management, Renewable energy uses, CSR and climate change issues, among others. It is expected that by the end of the event, participants could be able to have new possibilities of research through new and stronger contacts and perspectives.

The British Council under the Newton Fund Researcher Links scheme will sponsor the workshop on the above theme in São Paulo, Brazil on 09-12 March 2015. The workshop is being coordinated by Prof Dr Prasanta Dey from the Business School of the University of Aston, and Prof Dr Isak Kruglianskas from the School of Economics, Business and Accountancy, University of São Paulo, and will have contributions from other leading researchers Prof Dr David Bennett, Prof Dr Roberto Sbragia, Dr Breno Nunes and Dr Flávio Hourneaux.

We are now inviting Early Career Researchers from the UK or Brazil to apply to attend this workshop. **All travel and accommodation expenses will be covered by the Researcher Links programme.**

The [application form](#) with more details on the initiative should be sent to [Breno Nunes](#) before the deadline of 7 January 2015.

Eligibility criteria for Participants

- Applications must be submitted using the Researcher Links application form
- Application must be submitted before the above deadline

Participants must be early career researchers: Early Career Researchers are defined as holding a PhD (or having equivalent research experience in one or more of the following 5 thematic areas: science and innovation policies; agriculture competitiveness; climate change research; entrepreneurship; and city/regional development) and having up to 10 years post-PhD research experience.

They are equivalent to the 'Recognised Researcher' and sometimes 'Experienced Researcher' categories in the [EU framework for researchers' careers](#).

Participants must have a research or academic position (either a permanent post, research contract, or fellowship etc) at a recognised research institution either in the UK or in São Paulo. The workshop official language is English – we expect all participants to be fluent in English in order to effectively engage in the workshop activities.

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