UtrechtCE is here to stay!

When people first get into contact with the Centre for Entrepreneurship (UtrechtCE), we almost always need to explain that entrepreneurship is not only about starting a business. It is about spotting opportunities and daring to act on them in order to create something new that has value for others.

Ever since we adopted this broad perspective on entrepreneurship, we have found entrepreneurial researchers, teachers and students from all faculties that would like to work with us. In order to ensure that they can still work with us in the future, we have fought long and hard to get our centre recognized as a part of the University Utrecht. And with success: last year, UU’s Executive Board approved the perpetuation of UtrechtCE.

This means that we will continue on the road that we have been taking to broaden our scope: to work together with innovative, creative students and staff alike. We will continue to inspire students via education, events and examples of all the beautiful things theirs peers are doing. We will stimulate teachers to become more entrepreneurial in their courses; whether it is actively engaging with stakeholders or opening up their assessment standards. And we will actively connect researchers and aspiring entrepreneurs to the flourishing entrepreneurial ecosystem at our campus and in the Utrecht region.

In 2022, we have seen that it pays off to plant a lot of seeds for a flourishing entrepreneurial university. On the next page, we’d love to show you a few examples.

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A few highlights of 2022

Entrepreneurial education
New courses:
- E-learning ‘from spark to lift-off’
- Online course for researchers to discover entrepreneurship
- Challenges & hackathons
- Programmes for professionals

Online modules for all UU students

Research
i.a. research into the development of female entrepreneurship, studies to support more sustainable global supply chains and two new consortia on the societal impact of mission-driven innovation systems.

Teaching community
Support for teachers to be more entrepreneurial, including:
- Entrepreneurial Education Network (EEN) meet-ups
- Monthly newsletter
- Collaboration on USO-projects

Student entrepreneurship
The student community inspires and gets inspired with events like Fresh Feedback Night and Team Up with a Startup and entrepreneurial students and alumni initiatives in the spotlight on Instagram every week.

Further information:
- uu.nl/entrepreneurship

The campus as a living laboratory

More?

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