

Call for Papers

21st GARS Junior Research Workshop

European Prizes in Aviation Economics and Management

20-21 June 2024, Antwerp Management School, Boogkeers 5, 2000 Antwerpen (Belgium)

GARS and the University of Antwerp (Department of Transport and Regional Economics) are happy to host the 21st GARS Junior Workshop on 20-21 June 2024 at the University of Antwerp in Belgium. The workshop is supported by The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Routledge, the Air Transport Research Society (ATRS), the Bremen University of Applied Sciences (HSB), and airliners.de.

Contact to fellow researchers is often limited especially in the early stages of an academic career. The GARS Junior Workshop is an ideal and rather informal platform to share aviation-related research work with other students and experienced researchers in the field. We accept papers stemming from an ongoing thesis project (Bachelor, Master/MBA, PhD/doctoral studies), or from a thesis project which was completed within the last two years. Submitted papers may be work in progress, preliminary drafts, or final drafts. All submissions will be evaluated by experienced reviewers.

The workshop will include paper presentations and “one-slide/poster sessions”. The latter involves offline poster presentations or one-slide presentations in parallel online sessions (the idea is that participants can freely switch from one online session to another). After the JRW, the GARS Summer School in Air Transport Economics for GARS members will take place (22 June) (see a separate call for the details).

All complete, full-paper submissions to the GARS Junior Workshop will be considered for the Best Paper competitions in the two categories Bachelor/Master/MBA and PhD/doctoral studies. The papers are assessed by distinguished scholars in the field of aviation economics and aviation management, and the prize will be awarded by the Scientific Committee of the European Aviation Conference 2024 in Antwerp (Nov 27-29). The prize money is sponsored by The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Bachelor/Master/MBA up to 400 Euro and PhD/doctoral studies up to 600 Euro). Book vouchers are sponsored by Routledge.

Topics (examples)

Market exits/bankruptcies; business models; slots; forecasting; congestion; climate change; environmental issues in general; economic regulation, liberalization, and privatization; post-Covid-19 prospects; impacts of military conflicts and trade wars;

Venue, registration cost, scholarships

- The workshop will take place at the Antwerp Management School, Boogkeers 5, 2000 Antwerpen (Belgium) on 20-21 June 2024 in-person format (physical attendance) with an online option. It is free of charge for GARS members and those intending to become GARS members.
- Following your online submission, please indicate by e-mail whether you apply for a Hartmut-Wolf scholarship, which, if approved, can partly cover your trip costs to Antwerp.
- There are plenty of hotels in Antwerp, including Theater Hotel (<https://en.theater-hotel.be/>), Hampton by Hilton (<https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/anrcshx-hampton-antwerp-central-station/rooms>), Citybox Antwerp (<https://citybox.no/nl/antwerp/>), Holiday Inn Express (<https://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/de/de/antwerp/anrcc/hoteldetail>), and Bernardin Guesthouse (<https://www.bernardin-antwerpen.be/>).

Abstract submission

- A structured abstract is required to be submitted by 15 April 2024.
- Submission has to take place online at: <https://forms.office.com/r/NMD3jXHx6q>.
- The structured abstract (250 to 300 words) should consist of:

<i>Purpose</i>	<i>a concise description of the purpose of the research (25 to 40 words)</i>
<i>Methodology</i>	<i>a brief introduction of your research design (35 to 70 words)</i>
<i>Findings</i>	<i>a description of the (expected) research findings (35 to 70 words)</i>
<i>Contribution</i>	<i>a summary of the originality / contribution of your research paper (35 to 70 words)</i>
<i>References</i>	<i>a list of 2-5 literature references most pertinent to your research</i>

- Please indicate the type of your studies (BA-BSc/MA-MSc-MBA/PhD) and any co-authors in the submission form.
- Please do also indicate if you are already a GARS member or if you would like to become one.
- We plan to send acceptance notification around 22 April 2024.

Full paper/poster submission (after abstract acceptance)

- If your abstract gets accepted for the workshop, please submit the full paper (or poster) by e-Mail to sven.maertens@dlr.de cc ane.ripoll-zarraga@uab.cat by 29 May 2024.
- The file should be titled [Last name]_[BA/MA/MBA/PhD]_[Paper/Poster]_JRW2024.pdf whereby BA stands for Bachelor (BA and BSc), MA (MA and MSc) and MBA for Master, PhD for PhD and doctoral students, Paper for a paper presentation and Poster for a poster presentation.

Deadline overview

- Abstract (Online) Submission by 15 April 2024.
- Confirmation of acceptance by 22 April 2024.
- Full papers, posters and PowerPoint presentations will be due 29 May 2024.

Contact

- For further information, please contact Sven Maertens (sven.maertens@dlr.de) or Ane Elixabete Ripoll-Zarraga (ane.ripoll-zarraga@uab.cat).
- You are always invited to visit the GARS website at www.garsonline.de.