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EDITORIAL

Family Business Research: Roads Travelled and the Search for Unworn Paths

Donald O. Neubaum

The intent of this editorial is to spur thought about how the domain of family business has evolved and draw attention to the fact that there are a host of potential avenues where the domain can and should surely expand. Topical diversity and concerns about whether or not family business represents a unique field should take a back seat to efforts to explore new questions of practical and theoretical relevance.



Donald O. Neubaum

ARTICLES



Broad Search, Deep Search, and the Absorptive Capacity Performance of Family and Nonfamily Firm R&D

Jasper Brinkerink

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Research Questions:

- Do family and nonfamily firms learn differently?
- Does family influence foster or hinder the transformation of the potential absorptive capacity augmented by R&D into the realized absorptive capacity embodied by exploratory or exploitative innovation outcomes?



Jasper Brinkerink

Fly Away From the Nest? A Configurational Analysis of Family Embeddedness and Individual Attributes in the Entrepreneurial Entry Decision by Next-Generation Members

Daniel Pittino, Francesca Visintin, Giancarlo Lauto

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Research Question:

- How do the goals and attributes of individuals with a family business background combine with the embeddedness in the family business system to engender to two modes of entry into entrepreneurship, namely, succession in the family business and foundation of a new venture?



Daniel Pittino



Francesca Visintin



Giancarlo Lauto

Entrepreneurial Orientation and the Family Firm: Mapping the Field and Tracing a Path for Future Research

Remedios Hernández-Linares, María Concepción López-Fernández

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Research Questions:

- What do we know about entrepreneurial orientation within family firms?
- What should we know to facilitate progress in this field of study?



Remedios Hernández-Linares



María Concepción López-Fernández

The Development of an Entrepreneurial Legacy: Exploring the Role of Anticipated Futures in Transgenerational Entrepreneurship

Francesco Barbera, Isabell Stamm, Rocki-Lee DeWitt

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Research Questions:

- How are entrepreneurial legacies shaped in business families?
- How are entrepreneurial legacies reshaped over time?
- How do entrepreneurial legacy dynamics relate to transgenerational entrepreneurship?



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