

BRIDGING the GVP

Invitation to Bridging the Gap launch

DTU Innovatorium, 21.10.2013, 15.00

Why aren't there more spin-offs from universities in DK? We asked ourselves that question and will focus on it the coming two years through the project, "Bridging the Gap", which aims at creating sustainable spin-off companies via matching research teams with experienced, external entrepreneurs.

The program is funded by The Danish Industry Foundation and use key elements from the VIGO accelerator program in Finland. In just four years, VIGO has resulted in huge numbers of successful start-up companies and has raised funding of more than €100 million.

DTU Kemi and DTU Fotonik have initiated the new program and will draw experience from present and coming spin-off cases at DTU. A central element in the program is establishing close exchange with the leading innovation environments in the world, including Finland, Israel and USA.

Program of the day:

15.00 – *Welcome*, Marianne Thellersen, Senior Vice President - Innovation and Entrepreneurship, DTU

15.10 – *Presentation of Bridging the Gap*, Majken Overgaard, DTU Kemi

15.30 – *Experience from VIGO*, Sami Heikkiniemi, Operations Manager, Aalto University, Finland

16.00 – *Celebration with food and drinks*

If you are interested in attending this event, please, send e-mail to Monika, monbe@fotonik.dtu.dk stating your name, title and affiliation.

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