

## Report of the Workshop on the future of Entrepreneurial University Research

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On 24th August, right after the successful completion of the XIII Triple Helix Conference at Tsinghua University in Beijing, a group of international scholars from different disciplinary backgrounds gathered at Beijing Normal University to have a workshop on the future of entrepreneurial university research. In the workshop, a few scholars shared their recent studies on entrepreneurial university, for most of the time the participants had open discussion on how to form interdisciplinary collaboration to enhance and lead the research on entrepreneurial university, under the

framework of Triple Helix. The workshop concluded that the Triple Helix Association's Entrepreneurial University Thematic Research Group will be first committed to the following research issues, which are important but have received little research attention:

- How to conceptualise and theorise entrepreneurial university for both research and application-oriented higher education institutions with consideration of the local context?
- The role of entrepreneurial university beyond its contribution to technology transfer and for regional economic development. E.g. the role of entrepreneurial university in changing the institutional environment for better construction of the Triple Helix system?
- What are the challenges or unintended consequences in the process of developing entrepreneurial university?
- Do we have alternative ways to resolve the problems that the model of entrepreneurial university is used to address?

Around these issues, we will form further academic discussion in the form of a journal special issue. In addition, this Thematic Research Group will create an email list to share research ideas, recent literature, funding and publication opportunities as well as collaboration initiatives.



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