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Programs, Policies, & Practices around High-Growth Women's Entrepreneurship

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Chapter contributions are now invited from scholars studying women's entrepreneurship for an exciting new book, *Programs, Policies, & Practices around High-Growth Women's Entrepreneurship*, to be published by Edward Elgar Publishing Inc. in 2019.

The Diana International Project¹ is committed to advancing knowledge about the status of women's entrepreneurship around the world. This is the ninth book associated with the Diana International Project and will build on the success of the first book - Brush, C., Carter, N.M., Gatewood, E.J., Greene, P.G. and Hart, M. (eds.) (2006) *Growth-oriented Women Entrepreneurs and their Businesses: A Global Research Perspective*. This new volume will further consider the various national and international, social and contextual influences on women's entrepreneurship by examining how programs, policies, and practices affect and influence growth strategies and business potential of high-growth women's entrepreneurship.

The objective of this book is to foster a provocative discussion about topics on women's entrepreneurship focusing on how public policy frameworks, along with programs and practices can foster or stymie the high-growth potential of women entrepreneurs. While it is anticipated that many of the contributors will already be part of the Diana International Project, we are aiming for an inclusive discussion on women's entrepreneurship. Thus, chapters are particularly sought from researchers in geographic regions less represented in previous volumes, specifically Africa, Asia and South America.

Chapter submissions should be based on rigorous empirical or theoretical research, and should discuss and analyse one of the following as related to high growth women's entrepreneurship:

¹ The Diana Project was launched in 1999 by Professors Brush, Carter, Gatewood, Greene and Hart to study the phenomenon of women's entrepreneurship in the United States. The Diana Project team, in partnership with ESBRI (Entrepreneurship and Small Business Research Institute, Sweden), inaugurated the Diana International Project (DIP) in 2003. DIP currently involves researchers from 16 countries worldwide and aims to provide a platform from which to develop, conduct and share a global research agenda dedicated to answering questions about women entrepreneurs and growth oriented businesses.

- Models of private and public collaborations
- Measures or metrics for assessing effectiveness of policies and programs
- Studies of policies and programs for financing
- Comparisons of programs across country, regional or local communities
- A qualitative case study or deep analysis of a single program
- An examination of influences of different types of programs (e.g. mentoring, education, training, technology)
- An analysis of best practices for supporting high growth women’s entrepreneurship

The overall aim of the book is to highlight key policies, practices and programs, as these influence high-growth women’s entrepreneurship, and to offer valuable insights into high growth women’s entrepreneurship globally.

It is intended that draft chapter submissions will be presented and discussed at the forthcoming Diana International Research Symposium to be held at the Kauffman Foundation in October, 2017. However, papers not presented at this Conference are welcome submissions. Thus, the tentative timetable for the compilation and completion of the book is as follows:

October 2017	Diana Conference, Kansas City, Missouri, USA
April 15, 2018	Expressions of interest/abstracts from participating authors
June 1, 2018	Formal invitation/submission guidelines sent to selected authors
Aug 1, 2018	Submission of draft chapters & initial review process
Oct 1, 2018	Completion of feedback to authors
Dec 1, 2018	Submission of revised chapters from authors (including necessary permissions for diagrams, etc)
Dec 2018-Feb 2019	Ongoing editing of chapters by editorial team
March 15, 2019	Completion of Preliminary Book Information, Introduction & Conclusions
April 15, 2019	Submission of final manuscript to Edward Elgar

*If you are interested in submitting a chapter, please express your interest by putting together a chapter abstract, following the guidelines below, and forwarding it to DianaBook@udel.edu by **April 15, 2018**.*

For an informal discussion on your submission, please contact any of the editors.

Submission Guidelines:

1. A cover letter with all author affiliations and the paper title
2. 3 page (double-spaced) abstract
 - a. Include title- but NO AUTHOR information
 - b. Research question/purpose of the chapter
 - c. Theoretical foundation
 - d. Data source(s) and methodology
 - e. Implications/contributions
3. Please submit your proposals to: DianaBook@udel.edu

