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Introductory Session

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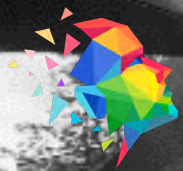
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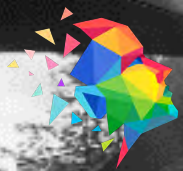
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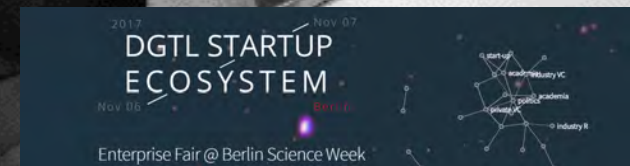
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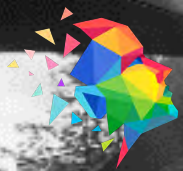
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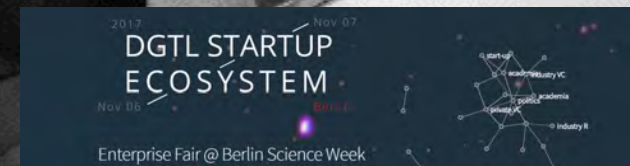
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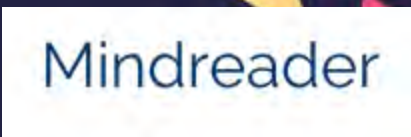


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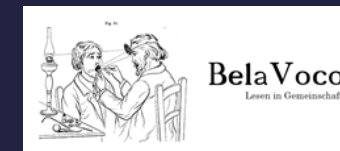
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Data-based ventures



B2C E-Business



B2B E-Business



Data-based health ventures



Meet the team

A brief introduction



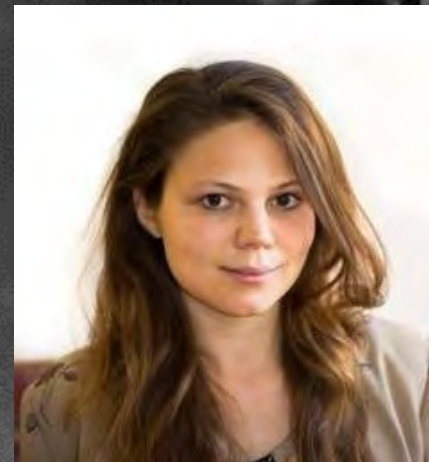
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Entrepreneurship Education

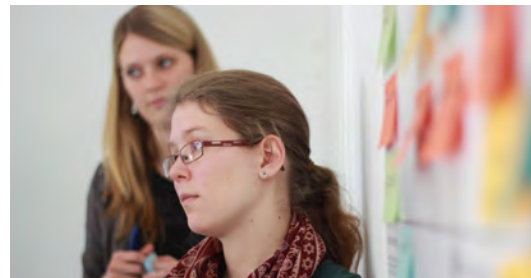
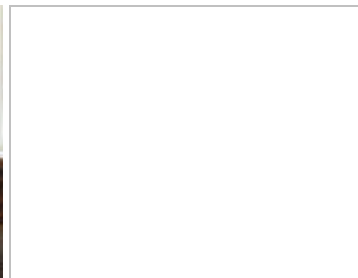
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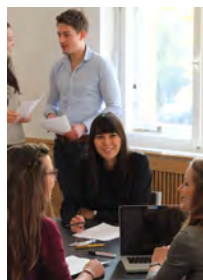


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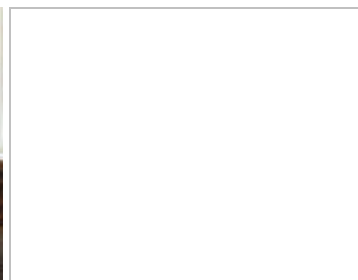
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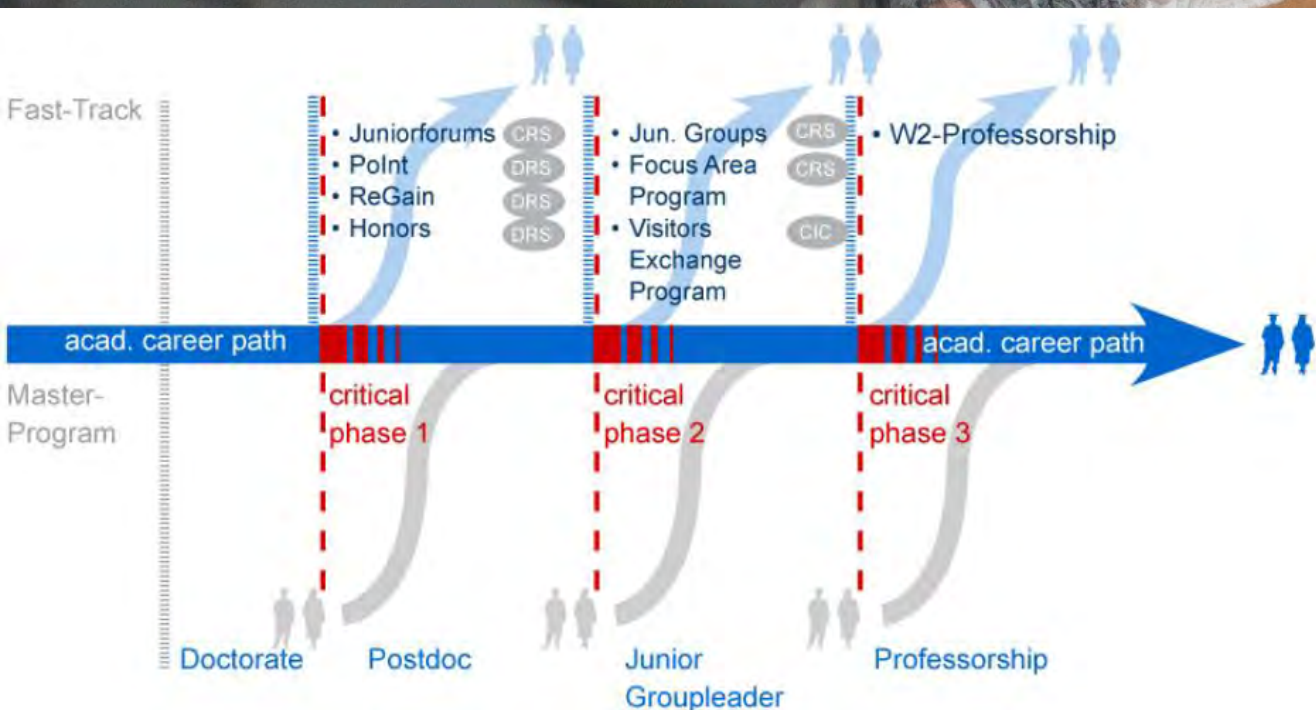
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Academic Career paths

or "why are we here, today"?



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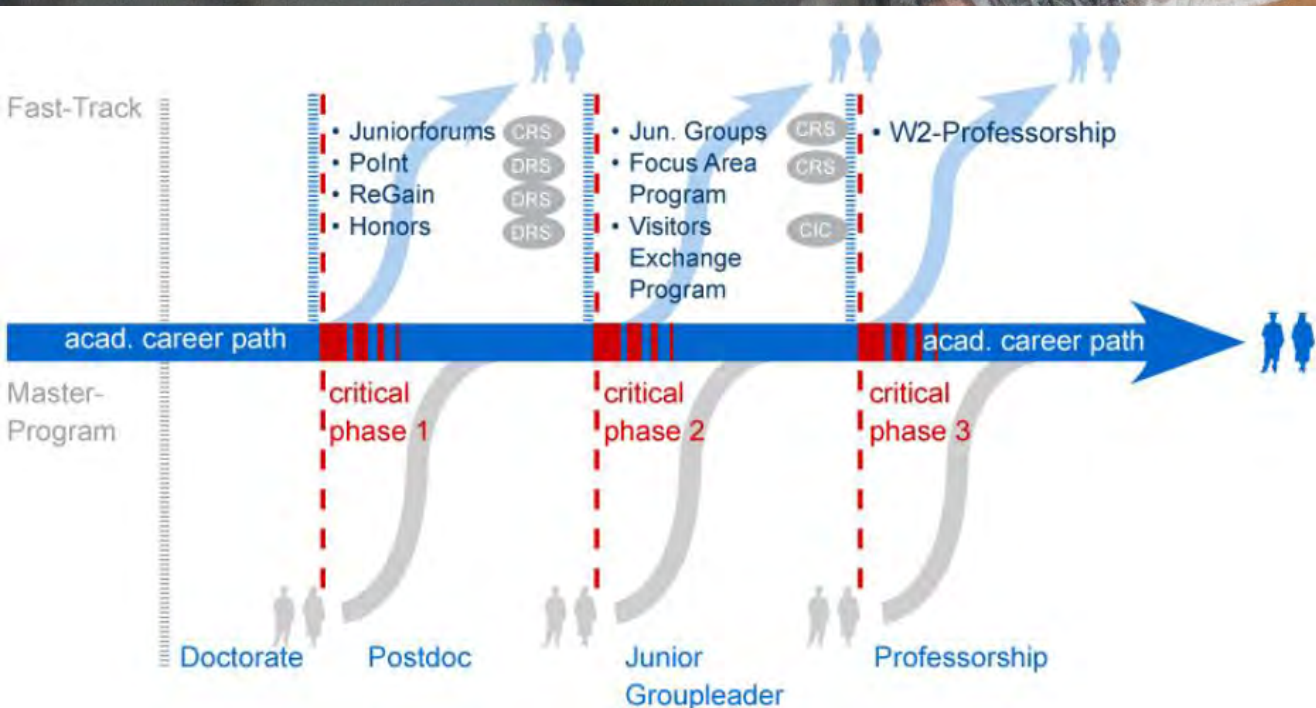
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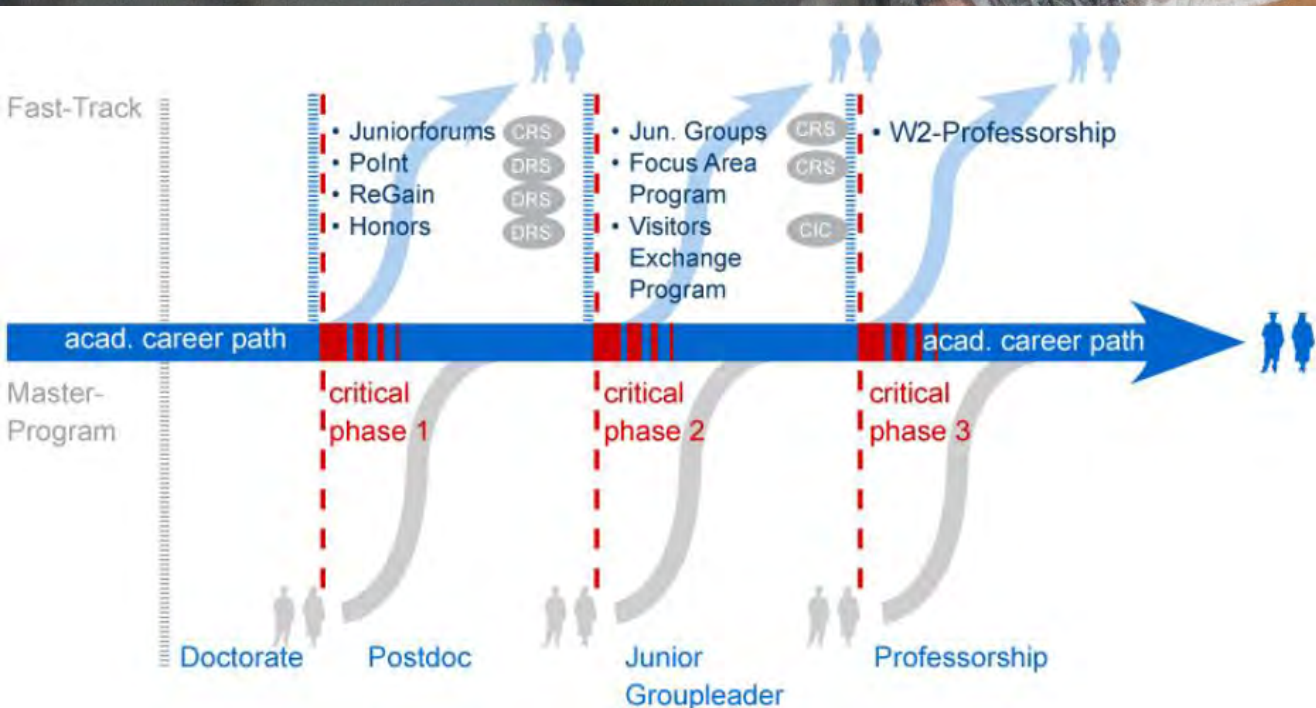
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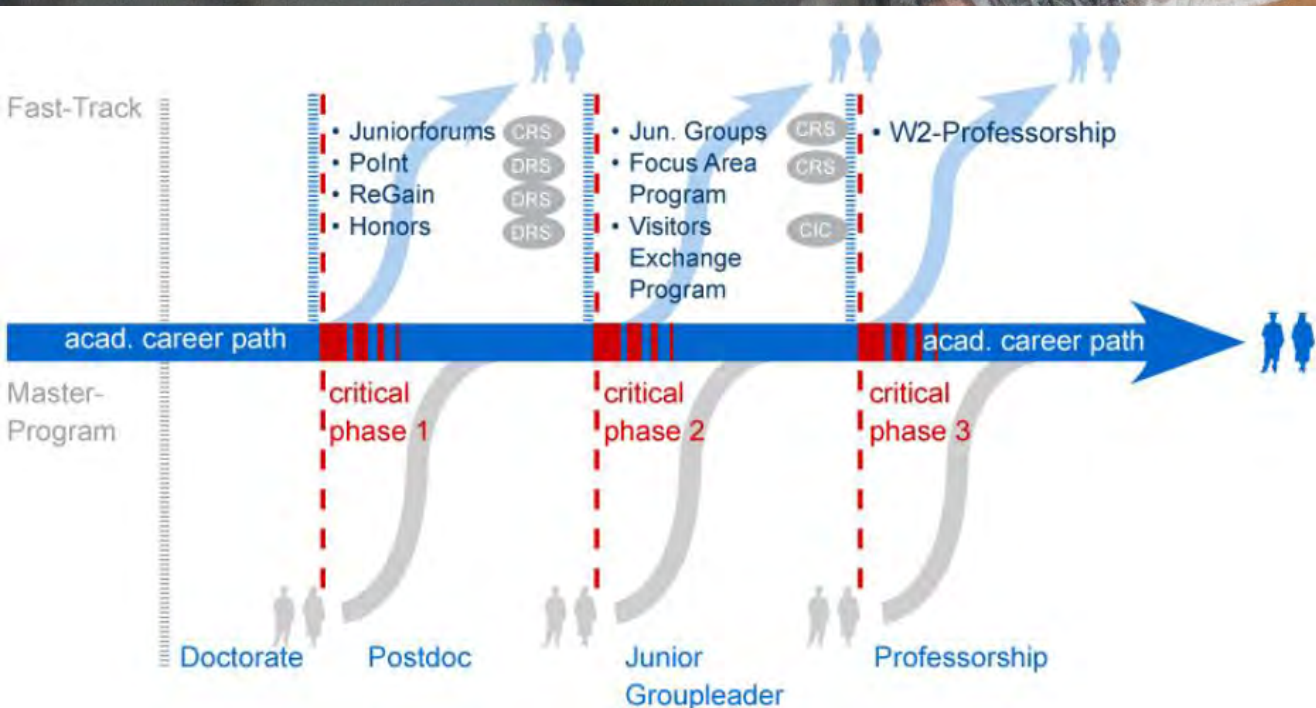
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“ One potential employer interviewed said that postdocs “have all the academic science skills you don’t need, and none of the organizational skills that you do”. ...more universities could offer programmes that teach postdocs entrepreneurial skills.

*“ They may not decide that they want to be **entrepreneurs**, but it would at least open their **minds** to other possibilities,”*

The need for two mindsets

Need for an entrepreneurial and ecosystem mindset

The "**Independent**"
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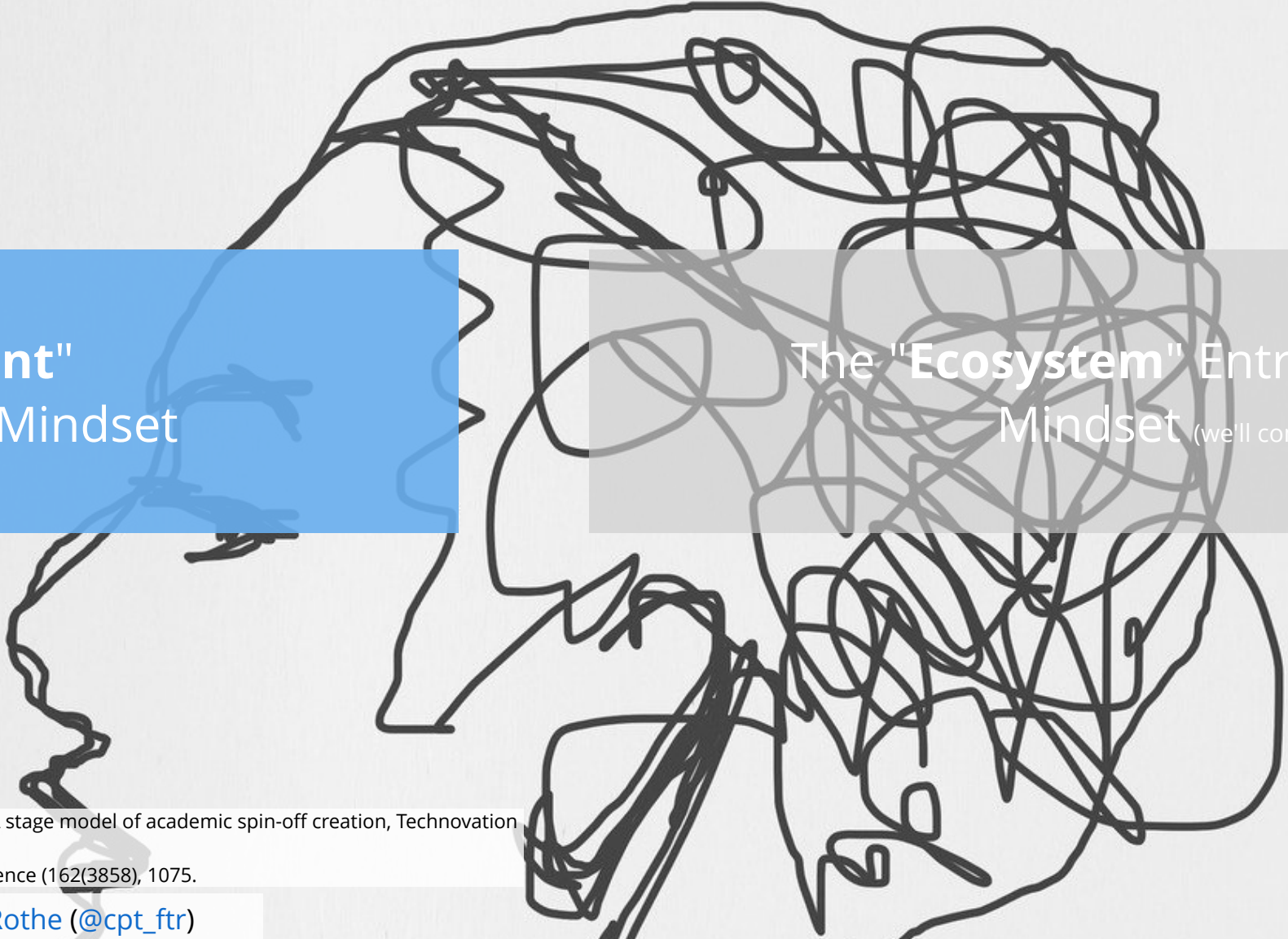
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The Entrepreneurial Mindset

about an entrepreneurial mindset

*“ It is a world of change in which we live,
and a world of uncertainty. We live only by knowing
something about the future. (Knight, 2012, p. 199)*



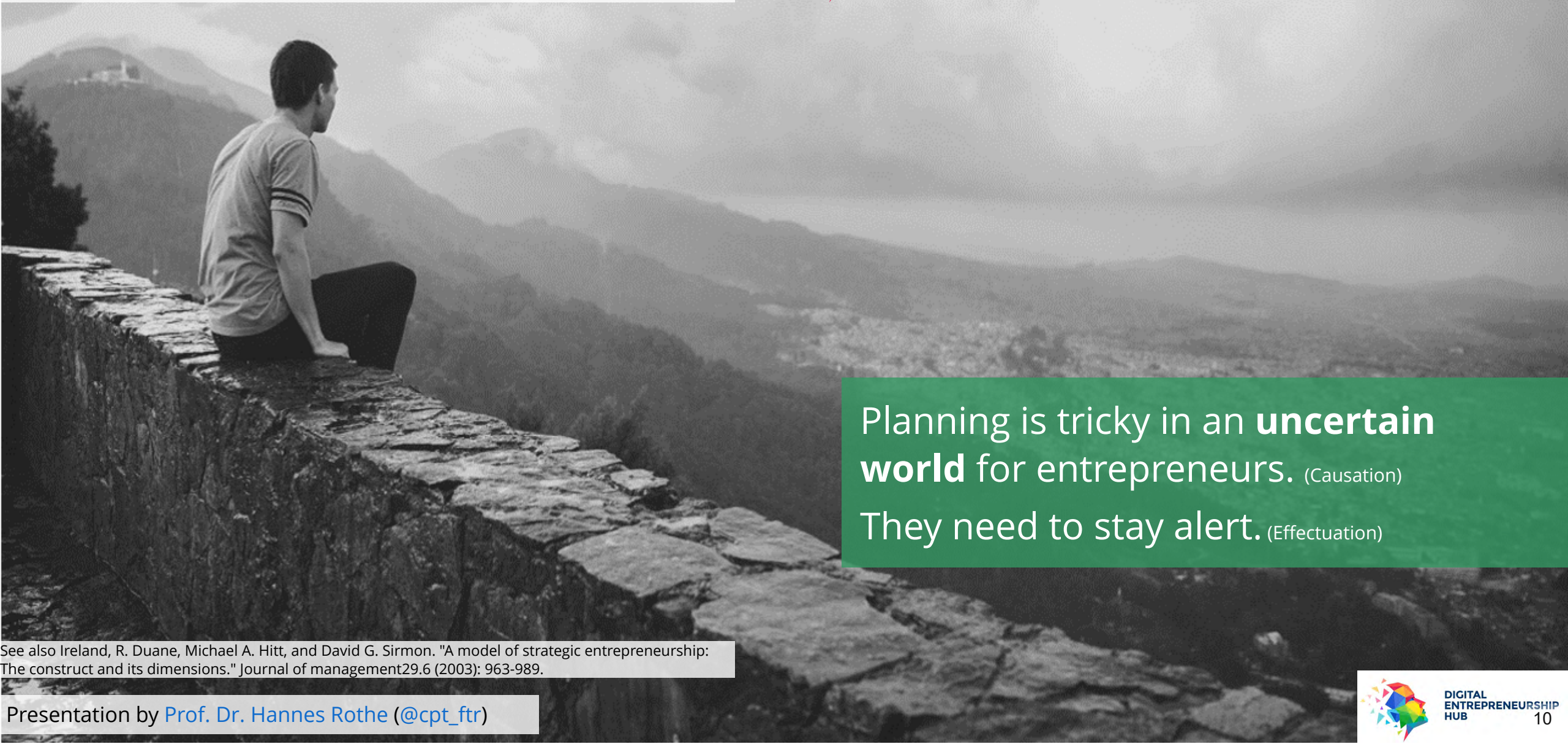
*“ An Entrepreneurial Mindset is described as
‘the ability to rapidly **sense, act, and mobilize**,
even under **uncertain conditions** (McGrath et al., 2000)*

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The Entrepreneurial Mindset

Alertness under uncertainty



Planning is tricky in an **uncertain world** for entrepreneurs. (Causation)

They need to stay alert. (Effectuation)

See also Ireland, R. Duane, Michael A. Hitt, and David G. Sirmon. "A model of strategic entrepreneurship: The construct and its dimensions." *Journal of management* 29.6 (2003): 963-989.

The Entrepreneurial Mindset

Allocate your resources as a t-shaped person



Know your (personal) resources, and allocate them strategically

e.g. through real option reasoning.

Enhance and leverage your capability 'portfolio'

Choose which opportunities to invest into (money and time)

Decide on timing to exploit opportunities

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Why should academics care?

career perspectives: research



Why should academics care?

career perspectives: business



Business planning &
proposing **new project ideas**

Clarify the goal of a project for business aims
& build trust that you are the right person
to implement the project.

Why should academics care?

career perspectives: start-up / spin-off



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12 Teams
22 Researchers
64 Developers
2 Days

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Rahul C. Basole @basole · 9h
 Why VCs don't fund professors:
 Entrepreneurs are attracted to problems;
 academics are attached to solutions
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e.g., time-to-market (6-8 yrs), services models
(trade-off between service & development), IP



e.g., business models for non-profits,
services in B2G, IP



e.g., expected time-to-market is short,
user-centricity, IP



e.g., scalability, IP

Our plan for this week

Agenda for DRS Pro Transfer

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:30 - 11:00 Introduction	9:30 - 15:00 Business Model Generation	9:30 - 11:00 Market & Competition	9:30 - 11:00 Access resources from the ecosystem	9:30 - 15:00 Intellectual Property
11:30 - 15:00: Ideation & Value Creation		11:30 - 13:00: Am I riding a "dead horse"?	11:30 - 13:00 Pitch training	
		13:30 - 15:00 Experiment your venture (Lean Startup)	13:30 - 15:00 Meet Freie Postdocs & Academic Ventures	15:00 - 16:00 Final Pitches
<i>Time at co-working space</i>	<i>Time at co-working space</i>	<i>Time at co-working space</i>	<i>Time at co-working space</i>	<i>Networking</i>

Let's begin

Finally getting started...

“AND What?” Method

Before we leave for the sunset....

...let me just say this:
Thank you!