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**“Inhabited institutional entrepreneurship:
small groups and the emergence of
commercial Microfinance in Bolivia”**

Tuesday, November 6th, 2012

From 12.15pm to 1.45pm

**At Seminar Room R42.2.110 (ground floor)
of the Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management
Université Libre de Bruxelles - ULB**

Abstract:

This paper contributes to the emerging literature on inhabited institutionalism. It offers the term inhabited institutional entrepreneurship to emphasize that most frequently institutional entrepreneurship is not a lone individual-bounded endeavor at the hand of individuals with the resources to identify and advance an interest they value highly, but a social group-bounded one, at the hands of individuals motivated, inspired, and enabled by the groups they inhabit. This inhabited group-bounded conceptualization helps to overcome voluntaristic biases and atemporalism plaguing much micro research on institutional entrepreneurship. The paper builds on a qualitative case study of the emergence of commercial microfinance in Bolivia.

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