# SUGGESTED TOPICS FOR MA THESES Direction:

# Business and Finance Management SECOND-DEGREE STUDIES full-time, academic year 2023/24

# **Examples of thematic scopes:**

### Prof. dr hab. Marta Gancarczyk

#### THEMATIC AREAS OF THE MASTER'S SEMINAR

- 1. Entrepreneurship and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) the process of starting-up a business, SMEs' development and environmental conditions, regional determinants of enterprise development
- 2. Business models traditional and disruptive business models
- 3. Sources of enterprise financing in the process of establishing and growing new ventures market sources of financing and funding (informal investors, debt financing, equity capital, creative sources of financing); public sources of financing (loan funds, guarantee funds, grants, public aid for entrepreneurs)
- 4. Innovation management processes and models
- 5. SME support policy the management of funds and measures of the European Union, evaluation of the impact of public support on the performance of SMEs, the management of institutions of business environment (technology and science parks, business incubators, innovation relay centers, industrial associations and chambers of commerce) and their impact on entrepreneurship and SME development
- 6. Industrial clusters cooperation and competition among SMEs, the impact of clusters on the competitive advantage of enterprises
- 7. High-technology firms and companies operating in creative industries (culture, entertainment, media, engineering and design, software development); technology firms the specificity and management issues
- 8. Technology transfer and diffusion in SMEs knowledge absorption and performance
- 9. Regional and local development the impact on SME development

- 10. Firm growth determinants of firm growth, high-growth firms (gazelles) specificity and management issues
- 11. Academic entrepreneurship establishing and developing innovative enterprises by academics
- 12. SME internationalization strategies, methods, conditions, firms "born global"
- 13. Information and consulting for SMEs the processes, methods and performance outcomes
- 14. Change management and corporate restructuring (turnaround) spin-off, outsourcing, lean management, reengineering

# Dr hab. Anna Zachorowska-Mazurkiewicz, prof. UJ

- 1. Labour market work, remunerations, wage gap, employment, unemployment
- 2. Equality, inequality, discrimination
- 3. (Social) Sustainability and ecological economics
- 4. Institutional economics
- 5. Women and economy

# Prof. dr hab. Wojciech Czakon

- 1. Digital transformation,
- 2. Business models,
- 3. Cooperative strategies,
- 4. Competitive strategies,
- 5. Strategic rejuvenation,
- 6. Destination management,
- 7. Innovation management.

# **Dr Maciej Teczke**

- 1 Adaptability of enterprises adapting organisations to a changing environment
- 2 Change management introduction of changes in enterprises, threats and challenges resulting from the introduction of changes, adaptation of enterprise resources to ongoing changes
- 3. strategic management strategic analysis of the enterprise, strategic leadership, sources of competitive advantage
- 4. management theory and practice the use of tools such as benchmarking, reengineering, outsourcing, lean management and others in management practice
- 5 Micro, small and medium-sized enterprises, family businesses entrepreneurship, enterprise development, conditions for small and medium-sized enterprises
- 6 Organisational behaviour Organisational culture, leadership, motivation systems
- 7) Human Resource Management Recruitment processes, building an employer's image on the labour market, remuneration systems
- 8 Corporate Social Responsibility Ethical issues, image, impact on competitive advantage
- 9. international management globalisation processes, strategic and operational management of international companies
- 10. logistics Enterprise logistics systems

## Dr Magdalena Kossowska-Lai

- 1. international & cross cultural management
- 2. business process management/ project management methodologies
- 3. artificial intelligence
- 4. internationalization processes
- 5. organizational culture
- 6. digitalization & digital transformation
- 7. entrepreneurship and innovations