Abstract:

In every arena of modern life - including business - Darwinsim has emerged as the accepted framework for understanding the world around us. In the business realm, Darwinian evolutionary explanations have been offered in the areas of leadership, ethics, entrepreneurship, organizational design, innovation, the theory of the firm, and many others. As Christians continue to develop a Biblical worldview that often runs counter to Darwinan pre-suppositions, business scholars, thinkers, students, and practitioners are challenged to understand business principles and processes in the light of the Christian worldview. In this panel, we will explore how the Intelligent Design paradigm offers a scientific movement that challenges certain unsubstantiated Darwinian assumptions and provides an avenue for business models that are more consistent with Biblical truth. We intend for this panel discussion to be a conversation and a brainstorming session, not a lecture or a presentation. The audience is invited to consider the possible implications of applying ID principles to business questions.